



Agenda

Regular Meeting of the City Commission

City of Kalamazoo

Monday, February 1, 2016

7:00 PM

City Commission Chambers - 241 W. South Street

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

B. OPENING CEREMONY

1. Invocation: **Pastor Strick Strickland, Second Baptist Church**
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introduction of Guests
4. Proclamations
 - a. CCMECHL Hockey Heritage Week, February 1-6, 2016

C. ADOPTION OF FORMAL AGENDA

D. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Calendar of Upcoming Meetings

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

F. CONSENT AGENDA

(Action: Motion to approve Items "1-5" and authorize the City Manager to sign all documents on behalf of the City)

1. Approval of a contract with Horizon Brothers for the painting and rehabilitation of the Mount Olivet Water Storage Facility in the amount of \$577,000.
2. Approval of a professional service agreement with The Foster Group to provide consulting services with regard to water and wastewater rates and the Utility Financial Plan in the amount of \$140,000.
3. Approval of a one-year contract extension with Alexander Chemical Corporation for the purchase of fluorosilic acid in the amount of \$112,000.
4. Authorization for the payment of \$108,568.00 as the 2016 excess workers compensation premium.
5. Approval of the minutes from the City Commission meetings on December 21, 2015 and January 19, 2016.

G. REGULAR AGENDA

H. REPORTS AND LEGISLATION

1. City Manager's Report
2. City Attorney's Report
(Action: Motion to extend Tolling Agreement)

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

J. POLICY ITEMS

K. NEW BUSINESS

L. CITIZEN COMMENTS

1. Documents Submitted by Citizens

M. MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND CONCERNS BY COMMISSIONERS

N. CLOSED SESSION

O. ADJOURNMENT

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Commission Agenda Report

City of Kalamazoo

TO: Mayor Hopewell, Vice Mayor Cooney, and City Commissioners

FROM: Scott A. Borling, City Clerk

PREPARED BY: Shelby Moss, Deputy City Clerk

DATE: 1/23/2016

SUBJECT: Calendar of Upcoming Meetings

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Attached is the calendar of upcoming board, commission, and committee meetings for the period February 2nd through February 15th.

ATTACHMENTS:

	Type	Description
▣	Meeting Schedule	20160201 Calendar of Meetings



Calendar of Upcoming Meetings

City of Kalamazoo

City Commission (next 30 days)

Regular Business Meetings – 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers

February 15th and March 7th

Regular Neighborhood Meetings – 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall

February 15th

Advisory Boards, Commissions and Committees (next two weeks)

The **Parks and Recreation Advisory Board** will meet on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 5:20 p.m., in the Parks and Recreation Community Room at Mayors' Riverfront Park, located at 251 Mills Street.

The **Planning Commission** will meet on Thursday, February 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.

The **Kalamazoo Historic Preservation Commission** will meet on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

The **Employee Retirement System Board of Trustees** will meet on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. on the Third Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

The **Friends of Recreation Board** will meet on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 11:30 a.m., in the Parks and Recreation Community Room at Mayors' Riverfront Park, located at 251 Mills Street.

The **Traffic Board** will meet on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 2:00 p.m., in the Public Services Conference Room, located at 415 Stockbridge Avenue.

The **Community Development Act Advisory Committee** will meet on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 6:30 p.m., in the Community Room at City Hall.

The **Zoning Board of Appeals** will meet on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., in the in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.

The **Downtown Development Authority** will meet on Monday, February 15, 2016 at 3:00 p.m., in the Community Room at City Hall.



Commission Agenda Report

City of Kalamazoo

TO: Mayor Hopewell, Vice Mayor Cooney, and City Commissioners

FROM: James K. Ritsema, ICMA-CM, City Manager

REVIEWED BY: Sue Foune, Public Services Managing Director

PREPARED BY: Stephen Skalski, P.E. Senior Civil Engineer

DATE: 1/17/2016

SUBJECT: Mount Olivet Water Storage Facility Repainting and Rehabilitation

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a construction contract with Horizon Brothers for the Mount Olivet Water Storage Facility Painting and Rehabilitation, in the amount of \$577,000.

BACKGROUND

The Mount Olivet Storage Facility is an elevated storage tank located in the Intermediate Pressure District of the City of Kalamazoo's water system. During an inspection, it was noted that the exterior and interior of the tank coating was in need of repainting and rehabilitation. The repainting of water storage tanks is required for the City of Kalamazoo to maintain our Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) water supply permit. Public Services Engineering Division retained the services of Dixon Engineering, Inc. to prepare bid documents for the necessary repainting.

Bids were opened December 29th, 2015 for the Mount Olivet Water Storage Facility Painting Project. Three bids were received with Horizon Brothers being the low responsive bidder. Horizon Brothers has performed well on similar projects for other communities.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES CONSULTED

This recommendation did not require advisory board consultation or additional public input.

FISCAL IMPACT

The funding for this project is available in the City's 2016 Water Operation and Maintenance Budget. Project funding and estimated costs are as follows:

Funding:		
	2016 Water Operation and Maintenance Budget	<u>\$577,000</u>
		\$577,000

Costs:

Construction Costs

\$577,000

\$577,000

ALTERNATIVES

The City could choose not to complete the improvements to the storage tank at this time, but this is not recommended as repainting of water storage tanks is required as part of our MDEQ water supply permit.

ATTACHMENTS:

Type	Description
Bid	
▣ Results	Bid Summary Results
Summary	

BID RESULTS SUMMARY

PROJECT: MT. Olivet Water Tank
Repainting and Rehabilitation

DATE: January 26, 2016

BIDDERS SOLICITED: 115

BIDDERS RESPONDED: 3

MBE/WBE BIDS SOLICITED: 4

MBE/WBE BIDDERS RESPONDED: 0

BID REFERENCE NO: 955-10-137/ME

MBE/WBE AWARDED: No

ISSUE DATE: November 25, 2015

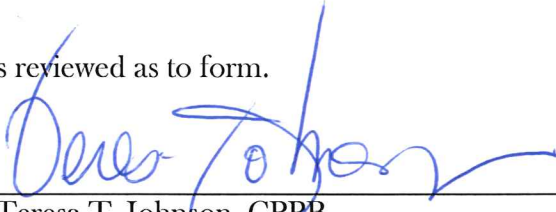
BID OPENING: December 29, 2015

APPROVAL REQUIRED: City Commission

FUNDED BY: City

<u>BIDDERS</u>	<u>AMOUNT BID</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Horizon Brothers Painting	\$577,000.00	Howell, MI
Seven Brothers Painting, Inc.	\$608,700.00	Shelby Township, MI
Worldwide Industries Corporation	\$663,545.00	Butler, PA

Purchasing procedures have been followed and City Attorney has reviewed as to form.



Teresa T. Johnson, CPPB
Purchasing Manager



Commission Agenda Report

City of Kalamazoo

TO: Mayor Hopewell, Vice Mayor Cooney, and City Commissioners

FROM: James K. Ritsema, ICMA-CM, City Manager

REVIEWED BY: Sue Foune, Public Services Managing Director

PREPARED BY: Sue Foune, Public Services Managing Director

DATE: 11/20/2015

SUBJECT: The Foster Group Consulting Services for Water and Wastewater Utilities

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Commission approve a professional service agreement with The Foster Group of Leawood, Kansas, in the amount of \$140,000. These services will include:

- Water and Wastewater rate updates for 2016.
- Wastewater "True-Up" study for fiscal years 2013/2014
- Participation in the Utility Advisory Board and other financial, management and general assistance.
- Assistance with updating the Utility Financial Plan.
- Expert witness services related to on-going dispute resolution with customer communities.

BACKGROUND

A contract for rate and management services with The Foster Group provides continuity for projects already under consideration and retains the knowledge and experience of a 23 year professional relationship with the City and representatives of customer communities.

There are three major areas where consulting services will be needed:

First, The Foster Group will conduct water and wastewater rate studies and recommend schedules of water and wastewater rates to be implemented in 2016.

The wastewater rates will include facets of the 1998 Rate Settlement Agreement. This agreement requires an analysis of actual Wastewater revenues and expenses (a "True-Up" study) be done every two years for each fiscal year. Rates are established on a prospective basis, so actual revenues and expenses will vary from estimates. The true-up studies, and the implementation of their results, ensure that outside city users pay the precise rate of return. A true-up study for fiscal years 2013 and 2014 will need to be performed to comply with the agreement.

Second, it is typical for other issues to arise in relation to Water & Wastewater rate methodologies, especially with operational changes at Public Services, and changes in the makeup of the customer base. In addition, revisions are needed within the City's Utility Financial Plan originally developed in 1995. Mr. Foster's assistance in these areas is essential.

Third, given the Foster Group’s long tenure with the City and their broad knowledge of rate methodologies, the City’s Utility Financial Plan, Water and Wastewater assets and access to Water and Wastewater rate related/non-related files they are able to provide expert services.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES CONSULTED

No community resources were specifically consulted regarding this decision. Please note that Mr. Foster has worked closely with regional partners in the past regarding water and wastewater rates.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this professional service agreement were included in the 2015 Water and Wastewater budgets.

ALTERNATIVES

These professional services could be provided by another consultant(s) or provided by City staff. However, bringing in a new consultant would result in a significant increase in cost and staff time in order to bring that firm to an acceptable level of understanding of the Utilities’ operations, rate methodologies, and financial policies; and the history of the various rate settlements. As with a new consultant, City staff would not be able to perform the duties with the efficiency of The Foster Group, due to Mr. Foster’s history and involvement with the City and its customer communities.

ATTACHMENTS:

Type	Description
□	Proposal Proposal



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November 2, 2015

Ms. Sue Foune
Public Services Director
City of Kalamazoo
415 Stockbridge Avenue
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001-2898

Dear Sue:

The intent of this letter is to summarize our understanding of the status of our current engagement, and identify potential funding requirements to extend financial consulting services for additional periods.

Funding for our current engagement is provided by Purchase Order P-018721, and was originally envisioned to finance consulting activities through June 2014. Due in part to uncertainties related to the ongoing litigation and contract discussions, the deliverable schedule and level of consulting services envisioned when we launched this engagement has not materialized for certain of the tasks. As a result, the funding provided by that original purchase order was sufficient to cover consulting services through October 2015, and was reallocated amongst tasks in a manner that best aligns with the original intent of the engagement.

Our estimate of the current status of our engagement is summarized below:

- **True-Up Study** – we have initiated, but not finalized the 2013 and 2014 True-Up Studies, and have initiated preparations for the 2015 True-Up Study.
- **Rate Updates** – we completed and delivered the 2014 Rate Study Updates more efficiently than envisioned in the original work plan, and initiated efforts to prepare Rate Study Updates for 2015. Due to the City's decision to defer any changes in rates beyond 2015, we initiated preparations for Rates Study Updates for 2016.
- **General Assistance** – due to lack of regular UAB meetings in 2014 and 2015, funding originally envisioned in this task was reallocated to the above tasks.
- **Expert Witness Services** – we have exhausted the originally envisioned for this task.

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Based on our recent discussions, it is my understanding that the City would like to establish a mechanism to extend consulting assistance for the True-Up, Rate Study, and General Assistance tasks through December 2016, and to provide an additional allowance for the Expert Witness Services Task. The scope of services presented herein are designed to accommodate the analyses necessary to prepare final True-Up Studies for 2013, 2014, and 2015; provide water and wastewater rate study consulting assistance (including preparing Rate Studies) for the 2016 rates, provide for additional "general assistance" on business related matters, and provide for expert witness services as needed. The proposed services outlined in this letter are designed to provide such ongoing consulting assistance on water and wastewater rate related issues and the City's relationship with its customer communities.

Proposed Scope of Services

Section 1 – Wastewater "True-Up" Studies. The 1998 Rate Settlement Agreement calls for a retrospective analysis of rates charged to the outside City, non owner customer classes to ensure that they are/were charged a rate of return precisely calculated in accordance with the parameters set forth therein. Eleven such studies have been conducted since 1999. Under this task THE FOSTER GROUP will finish true-up studies for 2013 and 2014 and conduct a true-up study for 2015 and will provide assistance to the City in implementing the results of the study.

The outcome of this study will be an assessment (for each customer class) of amounts due to or from that class for services rendered but not billed during each of the respective years. THE FOSTER GROUP will document the results of the assessment in reports to the City, make presentations of findings to City and Utility management, the Utility Advisory Board, and other interested parties at the City's direction.

Section 2 – Water and Wastewater Rate Studies. THE FOSTER GROUP will conduct water and wastewater rate studies and recommend schedules of water and wastewater rates to be implemented during 2016. We will participate in stakeholder discussions regarding potential modifications to the manner in which levels of service are measured for (and costs allocated to) the various customer classes of the water and wastewater utilities. We anticipate that a significant level of effort associated with the Rate Studies will continue to focus on evaluation and application of customer use data, and how it defines level of service, for both the water and wastewater utilities. The 1998 Rate Settlement Agreement regarding wastewater rates requires the City of Kalamazoo to conduct wastewater rate studies at least every two years, beginning with rates for 1999.

The outcome of these rate study updates will include:

- Revenue requirements analysis, indicating projected operating and capital financing plans for each utility for a five year planning period which meet the tenets of the Utility Financial Policy;

- Projected revenue levels for 2016, establishing “overall” rate levels necessary to meet the requirements of the financial plans;
- Cost of service analyses, resulting in an assessment of projected amounts to be recovered from customer classes during 2016; and
- Proposed schedules of water and wastewater rates, designed to equitably recover the costs of utility service from each customer class.

THE FOSTER GROUP will document the results of the studies in reports to the City, make presentations of findings to City and Utility management, the Utility Advisory Board, and other interested parties at the City’s direction.

Section 3 - General Assistance. THE FOSTER GROUP has been asked by the City to participate as a technical advisor in the Utility Advisory Board and Regional Commission processes. We have traditionally attended several meetings of these bodies and have provided valuable input to the processes. We are confident that expertise on rate related issues will be vital to the processes as they ensue. Prior general assistance activity also has included analyses and presentations regarding the potential impact of various regional initiatives, assessment of the impact on the region of contractual matters involving major industries, and general business advisory services to the City and the Utility Advisory Board.

It is difficult to project what level of our involvement may be necessary to meet the goals of these processes. Further, it has been our experience that other unanticipated issues related to the water and wastewater rates, rate methodologies, and rate models often arise and that our assistance is helpful on such matters. Rather than addressing funding for any additional consulting services that may arise through multiple change orders, it is our recommendation that an allowance be set aside and included in the engagement funding level. Utilization of such allowance would of course be at the discretion and approval of the City.

Section 4 – Expert Witness Services. THE FOSTER GROUP has been asked by the City to provide assistance as it attempts to resolve the current dispute with representatives of its outside City customers. It is our understanding that the ongoing efforts will focus on meetings with these representatives, their counsel, and their advisors in an attempt to further explain matters related to utility rates and resolve the FOIA dispute. Additional efforts may be required pending successful resolution of the initial dispute.

The purpose of this task will be to provide for consulting assistance associated with analyses, meetings, and related activities that are directly under the “litigation umbrella”. As noted for Section 3, it is difficult to envision the precise level of effort that may be required, depending on how the legal matters proceed. We recommend that an allowance be set aside and included in the engagement funding level. We will utilize such allowance at the discretion and approval of the City and its counsel.

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Cost Estimate

Fees for this engagement will be computed based on the actual time and expense incurred. The following billing rates will apply to all services rendered prior to December 31, 2016.

<u>Staff Position</u>	<u>Billing Rate \$/hr</u>
Consultants	100
President	325

Based on the scope of services presented in this proposal, it is estimated that a total maximum fee of \$140,000 including expenses, may be required for the completion of the proposed work. This estimate is based on a cost of \$30,000 for the True-Up Studies, \$52,500 for the water and wastewater rate studies; \$27,500 to provide a funding allowance for the General Assistance task; and \$30,000 to provide a funding allowance for Expert Witness Services. In the event the amount of effort is less than the amount estimated herein, only the costs incurred will be billed. However, if during the course of our work we determine that the proposed Scope of Work cannot be completed within the level of effort estimated herein, we will notify the City and cease work until further direction is received.

We sincerely desire to have the opportunity to continue to demonstrate our capabilities in assisting the City in this matter. If you have any questions regarding our proposal, or need additional information, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

THE FOSTER GROUP



Bart Foster
President



Commission Agenda Report

City of Kalamazoo

TO: Mayor Hopewell, Vice Mayor Cooney, and City Commissioners

FROM: James K. Ritsema, ICMA-CM, City Manager

REVIEWED BY: Sue Foune, Public Services Managing Director

PREPARED BY: Thomas Spitzner, Water Operations Supervisor

DATE: 1/17/2016

SUBJECT: 2016 Contract Extension for the Purchase of Fluorosilic Acid for Water Treatment

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a one-year contract extension for the purchase of fluorosilic acid from Alexander Chemical Corporation, Lisle, Illinois, in the amount of \$112,000.

BACKGROUND

The fluorosilic acid contract was bid in February 6, 2014 and Alexander Chemical Corporation was the only bidder. The 2015 contract was approved by the City Commission on February 16, 2015.

The City of Kalamazoo has been adding fluoride to the public drinking water supply since 1951. The decision to add fluoride was based on several studies and the recommendation of the State of Michigan Department of Public Health.

The addition of fluoride to public water supplies in the United States has been shown in numerous studies to significantly improve overall dental health and substantially reduce the incidence of dental caries. The use of fluoride in public drinking water supplies has also been characterized by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as one of the top ten public health advancements in the last 100 years; and is strongly supported by local, state and federal representatives and the American Dental Association (ADA).

COMMUNITY RESOURCES CONSULTED

This recommendation did not require advisory board consultation or additional public input.

FISCAL IMPACT

The term of this contract begins March 1, 2016 and expires February 28, 2017. Funds in the amount of \$112,000 for the purchase of fluorosilic acid are included in the 2016 Water Division Budget. The 2016 portion of this one-year contract will be \$92,000.00 and the 2017 portion will be \$20,000.00.

ALTERNATIVES

An alternative would be to discontinue addition of fluoride to the drinking water. Given the documented benefit to the overall dental health of City water customers, discontinuing the use of fluoride is not recommended. While addition of fluoride to the City’s water supply is not required, it is regulated by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ). If the City would discontinue the use of fluoride, notification would have to be made to the MDEQ.

ATTACHMENTS:

	Type	Description
▣	Background Material	Documents Submitted at Meeting by Lori Lamb
▣	Background Material	Document Submitted at Meeting by Kendra Gregory

Abstract

Neurotoxicology. 2007 Sep;28(5):1023-31. Epub 2007 Jun 30.

Effects of fluoridation and disinfection agent combinations on lead leaching from leaded-brass parts.

Maas RP¹, Patch SC, Christian AM, Coplan MJ.

Author information

Abstract

This study concerns effects on water-borne lead from combinations of chlorine (CL) or chloramines (CA) with fluosilicic acid (FSA) or sodium fluoride (NaF). CL is known to corrode brass, releasing lead from plumbing devices. It is known that CA and CL in different ratios with ammonia (NH) mobilize copper from brass, which we have found also enhances elution of lead from leaded brass alloys. Phase I involved leaded-brass 1/4 in. elbows pre-conditioned in DI water and soaked in static solutions containing various combinations of CL, CA, FSA, NaF, and ammonium fluosilicate. In Phase II 20 leaded-brass alloy water meters were installed in pipe loops. After pre-conditioning the meters with 200 flushings with 1.0 ppm CL water, seven different solutions were pumped for a period of 6 weeks. Water samples were taken for lead analysis three times per week after a 16-h stagnation period. In the static testing with brass elbows, exposure to the waters with CA+50% excess NH₃+FSA, with CA and ammonium fluosilicate, and with CA+FSA resulted in the highest estimated lead concentrations. In the flow-through brass meter tests, waters with CL+FSA, with CL+NaF, and with CL alone produced the highest average lead concentration for the first 3-week period. Over the last 3 weeks the highest lead concentrations were produced by CL+NaF, followed by CL alone and CA+NH₃+FSA. Over the first test week (after CL flushing concentrations were increased from 1.0 to 2.0 ppm) lead concentrations nearly doubled (from about 100 to nearly 200 ppb), but when FSA was also included, lead concentrations spiked to over 900 ppb. Lead concentrations from the CL-based waters appeared to be decreasing over the study period, while for the CA+NH₃+FSA combination, lead concentrations seemed to be increasing with time.

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Neurotoxicology. 2007 Sep;28(5):1032-42. Epub 2007 Mar 1.

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FULL-TEXT ARTICLE

Confirmation of and explanations for elevated blood lead and other disorders in children exposed to water disinfection and fluoridation chemicals.

Coplan MJ¹, Patch SC, Masters RD, Bachman MS.

Author information

Abstract

Silicofluorides (SiFs), fluosilicic acid (FSA) and sodium fluosilicate (NaFSA), are used to fluoridate over 90% of US fluoridated municipal water supplies. Living in communities with silicofluoride treated water (SiFW) is associated with two neurotoxic effects: (1) Prevalence of children with elevated blood lead (PbB>10microg/dL) is about double that in non-fluoridated communities (Risk Ratio 2, chi2p<0.01). SiFW is associated with serious corrosion of lead-bearing brass plumbing, producing elevated water lead (PbW) at the faucet. New data refute the long-prevailing belief that PbW contributes little to children's blood lead (PbB), it is likely to contribute 50% or more. (2) SiFW has been shown to interfere with cholinergic function. Unlike the fully ionized state of fluoride (F-) in water treated with sodium fluoride (NaFW), the SiF anion, [SiF6]2- in SiFW releases F- in a complicated dissociation process. Small amounts of incompletely dissociated [SiF6]2- or low molecular weight (LMW) silicic acid (SA) oligomers may remain in SiFW. A German PhD study found that SiFW is a more powerful inhibitor of acetylcholinesterase (AChE) than NaFW. It is proposed here that SiFW induces protein mis-folding via a mechanism that would affect polypeptides in general, and explain dental fluorosis, a tooth enamel defect that is not merely "cosmetic" but a "canary in the mine" foretelling other adverse, albeit subtle, health and behavioral effects. Efforts to refute evidence of such effects are analyzed and rebutted. In 1999 and 2000, senior EPA personnel admitted they knew of no health effects studies of SiFs. In 2002 SiFs were nominated for NTP animal testing. In 2006 an NRC Fluoride Study Committee recommended such studies. It is not known at this writing whether any had begun.

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Environ Health. 2015 Feb 27;14:17. doi: 10.1186/s12940-015-0003-1.

ADHD

BioMed Central

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Exposure to fluoridated water and ~~attention deficit hyperactivity disorder~~ prevalence among children and adolescents in the United States: an ecological association.

Malin AJ¹, Till C².

Author information

Abstract

BACKGROUND: Epidemiological and animal-based studies have suggested that prenatal and postnatal fluoride exposure has adverse effects on neurodevelopment. The aim of this study was to examine the relationship between exposure to fluoridated water and Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) prevalence among children and adolescents in the United States.

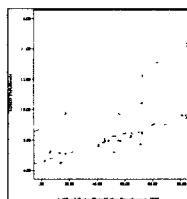
METHODS: Data on ADHD prevalence among 4-17 year olds collected in 2003, 2007 and 2011 as part of the National Survey of Children's Health, and state water fluoridation prevalence from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) collected between 1992 and 2008 were utilized.

RESULTS: State prevalence of artificial water fluoridation in 1992 significantly positively predicted state prevalence of ADHD in 2003, 2007 and 2011, even after controlling for socioeconomic status. A multivariate regression analysis showed that after socioeconomic status was controlled each 1% increase in artificial fluoridation prevalence in 1992 was associated with approximately 67,000 to 131,000 additional ADHD diagnoses from 2003 to 2011. Overall state water fluoridation prevalence (not distinguishing between fluoridation types) was also significantly positively correlated with state prevalence of ADHD for all but one year examined.

CONCLUSIONS: Parents reported higher rates of medically-diagnosed ADHD in their children in states in which a greater proportion of people receive fluoridated water from public water supplies. The relationship between fluoride exposure and ADHD warrants future study.

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Note - 97% of the Western European population do not consume fluoridated water.

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Compiled by Fluoride Action Network, with help from Marilyn Harris and Green Jones

From the very start, water fluoridation has always been an unpopular program. In its 60+ year history, the majority of U.S. communities that have had an opportunity to vote on the measure have rejected it. Fluoridation was thus established in the U.S. not through public referenda, but executive actions by government bodies. For a brief history on public opposition to fluoridation in the U.S., [click here](http://www.fluoridealert.org/content/fluoridation-vs-democracy/).

(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/content/fluoridation-vs-democracy/>)

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97% OF WESTERN EUROPE HAS REJECTED WATER FLUORIDATION
([HTTP://WWW.FLUORIDEALERT.ORG/CONTENT/EURO-STATEMENTS/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/content/euro-statements/))

MANY CHILDREN NOW EXCEED RECOMMENDED DAILY FLUORIDE INTAKE FROM TOOTHPASTE ALONE.
([HTTP://FLUORIDEALERT.ORG/ISSUES/SOURCES/F-TOOTHPASTE/](http://fluoridealert.org/issues/sources/f-toothpaste/))

FLUORIDE IS NOT A NUTRIENT
([HTTP://WWW.FLUORIDEALERT.ORG/STUDIES/ESSENTIAL-NUTRIENT/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/studies/essential-nutrient/))

49 STUDIES HAVE LINKED FLUORIDE WITH REDUCED IQ IN CHILDREN
([HTTP://WWW.FLUORIDEALERT.ORG/STUDIES/BRAIN/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/studies/brain/))

Community / Country	Population	Date
Whakatane, New Zealand	37,000	January 27, 2016
Party Sound, Ontario, Canada	6,000	January 27, 2016
San Marcos, Texas	44,994	November 3, 2015
Warsaw, Missouri	2,163	August 2015
Bellefonte, Pennsylvania	6,224	July 28, 2015
Snowmass, Colorado	2,826	July 17, 2015
Sullivan, Missouri	7,000	May 19, 2015
Palatka, Florida	10,450	May 14, 2015
Oneida, New York	21,147 Oneida Water District	May 8, 2015
Kingston, Ontario, Canada	21,000	April 28, 2015

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[Exercise of 2008-2010 by Ireland, 2011](#)

Ireland is a country that has mandatory fluoridation which can only be ended by a vote of the national government. However, citizens are taking positions on the issue. The Water & Sewerage Commission unanimously asked the government to cease and reverse Ireland's Health Protection of Water Act of 1990.

[Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/schuylkill-county-votes-to-end-fluoride-addition/>)

5,341

January 7, 2015

[Ford City, Pennsylvania](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/ford-city-votes-to-end-fluoride-subjects-drinking-water/>)

3,167

December 29, 2014

[La Prairie, Quebec, Canada](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/la-prairie-ends-fluoridation/>)

20,000

December 2, 2014

[Marwick, Queensland, Australia](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/marwick-south-coast-queensland-southern-downs-council-votes-to-remove-fluoride-from-water/>)

13,400

November 26, 2014

[Stanthorpe, Queensland, Australia](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/stanthorpe-south-coast-queensland-southern-downs-council-votes-to-remove-fluoride-from-water/>)

900

November 26, 2014

[Aurora, Queensland, Australia](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/aurora-south-coast-queensland-southern-downs-council-votes-to-remove-fluoride-from-water/>)

5,400

November 26, 2014

[Mangrove, Queensland, Australia](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/mangrove-south-coast-queensland-southern-downs-council-votes-to-remove-fluoride-from-water/>)

400

November 26, 2014

[Preston, Georgia](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/preston-and-weston-votes-to-stop-fluoridation/>)

400

November 17, 2014

[Weston, Georgia](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/preston-and-weston-votes-to-stop-fluoridation/>)

20

November 17, 2014

[Prince George, British Columbia, Canada](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/prince-george-voters-say-no-to-fluoridation/>)

71,970

November 16, 2014

[Squamish, British Columbia, Canada](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/squamish-voters-say-no-to-fluoridation/>)

3,600

November 16, 2014

[Kerry County, County, Ireland](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/kerry-county-council-unanimously-passes-motion-to-end-fluoridation/>)

114,500

November 10, 2014

Ireland is a country that has mandatory fluoridation which can only be ended by a vote of the national government. However, citizens are taking positions on the issue. The Kerry County Council unanimously asked the Government to call for the cessation of public water fluoridation.

[Southampton and parts of Hampshire County, UK](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/fluoride-plans-for-southampton-scrapped-by-public-health-authorities/>)

195,000

October 28, 2014

[Burlington, Quebec, Canada](#)
(<http://fluoridealert.org/news/burlington/>)

3,300

October 20, 2014

[Fluoride's Effect on Fetal Brain Exposure is Associated](#)

(<http://fluoridealert.org/studies/brain01/>)

Fluoride's Effect on Fetal Brain

The human placenta does not prevent the passage of fluoride from a pregnant mother's blood stream to the fetus. As a result, a fetus can be harmed by fluoride ingestion regularly. Based on research from China, the fetal brain is one of the organs susceptible to fluoride poisoning. As suggested by the experts

(http://fluoridealert.org/studies/brain05_1/)

Fluoride's Neurobehavioral Effects in Humans & Animals

In addition to studies indicating a decrease in IQ in children and impaired learning/memory in adults, human and animal studies have also shown fluoride to be a variety of other neurobehavioral effects. These studies, which are accepted as such, provide further evidence that fluoride is a neurotoxin. The importance of controlling fluoride

(http://fluoridealert.org/studies/brain03_1/)

RELATED MISCELLANEOUS CONTENT:

Email Exchange with FDA re: Fluoride Supplements

Email exchange regarding FDA's reasons for not approving fluoride supplements

(<http://fluoridealert.org/content/fda-emails/>)

Harvard's Statement on Chester Douglass/Scientific Misconduct

Statement Concerning the Outcome of the Review into Allegations of Research Misconduct Involving Eugene R. Douglass, M.D., Ph.D. August 15, 2005. The Harvard Medical School and School of Dental Medicine (HMS) review of Chester Douglass, M.D., Ph.D., professor of dental health policy and epidemiology at HMS, has concluded that Douglass did not intentionally and misrepresent

(<http://fluoridealert.org/content/harvard-statement/>)

The 'Altered Recommendations' of the 1983 Surgeon General's Panel

We have learned that EPA staff and managers should be asked to testify, along with members of the 1983 Surgeon General's panel and officials of the Department of Human Services, to explain how the original recommendations of the Surgeon General's panel were altered to allow EPA to set otherwise scientifically acceptable water standards. (1)

(<http://fluoridealert.org/content/surgeon-general/>)

(<http://fluoridealert.org/take-action/>)

<u>Dun Laoghaire</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/dunlaoghaire-council-votes-to-reject-fluoridation/	[*500,000+]	October 7, 2014
Ireland is a country that has mandatory fluoridation which can only be ended by a vote of the national government. However, councils are taking positions on the issue. Dun Laoghaire Council has adopted an anti-fluoride position and further will be asking the Government to end Ireland's mandatory water fluoridation policy with immediate effect.		
<u>Shrewsbury, Massachusetts</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/shrewsbury-mass-brands-opinions-on-fluoridation-several-approvals/	1,400	September 2014
<u>Oliver Springs, Tennessee</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/oliver-springs-to-stop-adding-fluoride-to-town-water/	5,300	September 4, 2014
<u>ISRAEL</u> http://www.post.co.il/Israel/News/Health/Morot-German-out-laws-fluoridation-of-a-High-water-971332 *See FAN Bulletin http://fluoridealert.org/centerbulletin/2014/10/	7.9 MILLION	August 26, 2014 (Official end date)
<u>Waynesville, Missouri</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/waynesville-mo-waysville-to-reject-fluoride-from-water/	5,200	August 21, 2014
<u>Batavia, New Zealand</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/batavia-nz-council-votes-to-reject-fluoridation/	70,000	July 31, 2014
<u>Montrose, Colorado</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/montrose-city-council-votes-to-reject-fluoridation/	19,000	July 31, 2014
<u>Bucks County, Pennsylvania</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/bucks-county-water-sewer-authority-announces-new-fluoride-free-water-supply/	386,000	July 1, 2014
<u>Camden, Tennessee</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/camden-fluoride-to-be-removed-from-local-water-supply/	3,620	June 12, 2014
<u>Opferon, New South Wales, Australia</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/opferon-nz-council-votes-to-reject-fluoridation/	2,500	May 26, 2014
<u>Boyle, Michigan</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/boyle-no-more-fluoride-coming-out-of-boyle-water/	[*3,800]	May 19, 2014
On November 4, 2014, the Boyle Commission voted to resume fluoridation. http://fluoridealert.org/news/boyle-no-more-fluoride-coming-out-of-boyle-water/		
<u>Clonakilly, West Cork, Ireland</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/clonakilly-rejects-second-fluoride-free-town/	[*4,721]	May 16, 2014
Ireland is a country that has mandatory fluoridation which can only be ended by a vote of the national government. However, councils are taking positions on the issue. Clonakilly Town Council has adopted an anti-fluoride position in 2013. http://fluoridealert.org/news/macroom-town-council-voted-to-back-baron-fluoride-public-water-supply/		
* 2014: Seven Irish businesses have installed reverse osmosis water filtration systems to assure their customers that all food		

through a number of businesses, and a housing estate nanotechnology filtration installed.

<u>Buffalo, Missouri</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/buffalo-residents-shoot-down-fluoride-use-by-nearly-70-margin/	3,100	May 12, 2014
<u>Colton, England</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/fluoride-wanted-added-to-coltons-water-supply/	276,790	May 6, 2014
<u>Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/saint-johns-council-votes-to-stop-fluoridized-drinking-water/	76,650	March 11, 2014
<u>Hernando, County, Florida</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/herndon-council-voters-say-no-to-fluoridation/	176,422	February 26, 2014
<u>Maunabo Town Council, Ireland</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/maunabo-town-council-votes-to-back-ratified-fluoride-in-public-water-supply/	11,600	February 7, 2014
Ireland is a country that has mandatory fluoridation which can only be ended by a vote of the national government. However, councils are taking positions on the issue.		
<u>Wellington, Florida</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/wellington-votes-to-stop-fluoridating-area/	56,679	January 28, 2014
<u>Santry Town Council, Ireland</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/santry-town-council-votes-for-end-to-water-fluoridation/	11,300	January 25, 2014
Ireland is a country that has mandatory fluoridation which can only be ended by a vote of the national government. However, councils are taking positions on the issue.		
<u>Amherst County, Virginia</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/updated-amherst-county-will-not-add-fluoride-to-water/	93,000 # of municipal water unknown	January 2014
<u>Wood Village, Oregon</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/wood-village-leaders-give-up-on-fluoride-after-vocal-f-small-opposition-from-residents/	1,000	January 20, 2014
<u>Huntsville, Ontario, Canada</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/huntsville-and-lake-of-bays-end-fluoridation/	19,100	January 2014
<u>Lake of Bays, Ontario, Canada</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/huntsville-and-lake-of-bays-end-fluoridation/	3,500	January 2014
<u>Wood, Tennessee</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/wood-ends-fluoridation/	900	December 2013
<u>Yuba Valley, Yuba County, California</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/yuba-county-votes-to-stop-adding-fluoride-to-drinking-water/	2,650	November 21, 2013
<u>Gympie Shire (NSW), Australia</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/gympie-shire-council-votes-not-to-fluoridate-its-water-supply/	29,000	November 20, 2013
<u>Colton, Sonoma County, California</u> http://fluoridealert.org/news/colton-says-no-to-fluoridation/	7,500	November 12, 2013

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/florida-273661-fluoride-in-the-water/>

Muskoka, Ontario, Canada 58,000 October 21, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/muskoka-municipalities-273661>

Davis, California 68,000 October 1, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/davis-273661>

Tillamook, Ontario, Canada 4,800 September 30, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/tillamook-273661>

Columbia, Tennessee 27,000 September 25, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/columbia-273661>

Aschland, Washington state 5,625 August 19, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/aschland-273661>

Windsor, Queensland, Australia 20,000 August 10, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/windsor-273661>

Portland, Washington 35,600 June 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/portland-273661>

Namoi, New Zealand 145,600 June 5, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/namoi-273661>

Portland, Oregon 900,000 May 21, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/portland-oregon-273661>

Bonnamy, Queensland, Australia 61,000 May 14, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/bonnamy-273661>

Kenton, Tennessee 1,325 May 6, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/kenton-273661>

Southwest, North Carolina 7,000 May 7, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/swnc-273661>

Windsor, Queensland, Australia 1,075 April 23, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/windsor-273661>

Windsor, Queensland, Australia 37,000 April 9, 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/windsor-273661>

Windsor, Michigan 697 March 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/windsor-273661>

Charters Towers, Queensland, Australia 9,575 March 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/charters-towers-273661>

Tyngue, Pennsylvania 5,600 March 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/tyngue-273661>

Lebanon, Tennessee 27,700 March 2013
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lebanon-273661>

Fluoridation

<u>Olivehurst, California</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/olivehurst-votes-to-reinforce-fluoride/)	14,000	February 22, 2013
<u>Pumas Lake, California</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/olivehurst-votes-to-reinforce-fluoride/) affected by decision of the Olivehurst Public Utility	6,000	February 22, 2013
<u>St. Marys, Missouri</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/st-marys-stops-fluoridation-water/)	2,500	February 22, 2013
<u>Fraser Coast, Queensland, Australia</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/fraser-coast-a-winner-on-the-fraser-coast/)	102,000	February 21, 2013
<u>Mersey Bay, Queensland, Australia</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/mersey-coast-a-winner-on-the-fraser-coast/) Fraser Coast		February 21, 2013
<u>Maryborough, Queensland, Australia</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/maryborough-a-winner-on-the-fraser-coast/) (Fraser Coast)		February 21, 2013
<u>Fraser, Queensland, Australia</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/fraser-coast-a-winner-on-the-fraser-coast/) (Fraser Coast)		February 21, 2013
<u>Burdekin, Queensland, Australia</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/burdekin-council-votes-down-fluoridation/)	18,192 2006 estimate	February 12, 2013
<u>Hy, Queensland, Australia (Burdekin area)</u>	9,000	February 12, 2013
<u>Roma Hill, Queensland, Australia (Burdekin area)</u>	5,000	February 12, 2013
<u>Brandon, Queensland, Australia (Burdekin area)</u>	900	February 12, 2013
<u>Bundaberg region, Queensland, Australia</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/bundaberg-area-votes-to-reject-fluoridation/)	100,000	February 12, 2013
<u>Barbara, Queensland, Australia (Bundaberg region)</u>	7,000	February 12, 2013
<u>Childers, Queensland, Australia (Bundaberg region)</u>	1,700	February 12, 2013
<u>Gin Gin, Queensland, Australia (Bundaberg region)</u>	2,500	February 12, 2013
<u>St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/st-croix-falls-come-to-st-croix-falls/)	2,126	February 2013
<u>Balsam Lake, Wisconsin</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/balsam-lake-ends-fluoridation/)	1,000	February 4, 2010
<u>Cairns, Queensland, Australia</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/cairns-council-votes-to-dump-fluoride/)	155,000	January 29, 2013
<u>Mossman, Queensland, Australia (Cairns area)</u>	1,740	January 29, 2013
<u>Port Douglas, Queensland, Australia (Cairns area)</u>	3,200	January 29, 2013

<u>Windsor, Ontario, Canada</u> <u>http://www.fluordealert.org/news/windsor-axes-fluoride-from-drinking-water/</u>	174,000	January 25, 2013
<u>LaSalle, Ontario, Canada (affected by Windsor)</u> <u>http://www.fluordealert.org/news/windsor-axes-fluoride-from-drinking-water/</u>	29,000	January 25, 2013
<u>Tatumsheh, Ontario, Canada (affected by Windsor)</u> <u>http://www.fluordealert.org/news/windsor-axes-fluoride-from-drinking-water/</u>	24,000	January 26, 2013
Doomadgee Aboriginal Council, Australia	1,500	January 2013
Biggenden, Queensland, Australia (North Burnett area)	690	January 2013
Escondido, Queensland, Australia (North Burnett area)	630	January 2013
Gayndah, Queensland, Australia (North Burnett area)	1,800	January 2013
Homero, Queensland, Australia (North Burnett area)	1,300	January 2013
Mount Perry, Queensland, Australia (North Burnett area)	500	January 2013
Mundubbera, Queensland, Australia (North Burnett area)	1,050	January 2013
<u>South Burnett, Queensland, Australia</u> <u>http://www.fluordealert.org/news/south-burnett-council-axes-fluoride-from-town-supplies/</u>	28,190*	January 2013
<u>Blackbutt, Queensland, Australia</u> <u>http://www.fluordealert.org/news/south-burnett-council-axes-fluoride-from-town-supplies/</u> (South Burnett)	1,050	January 2013
<u>Manango, Queensland, Australia</u> <u>http://www.fluordealert.org/news/south-burnett-council-axes-fluoride-from-town-supplies/</u> (South Burnett)	3,063	January 2013
<u>Kingsley, Queensland, Australia</u> <u>http://www.fluordealert.org/news/south-burnett-council-axes-fluoride-from-town-supplies/</u> (South Burnett)	7,620	January 2013
<u>Aynda, Queensland, Australia</u> <u>http://www.fluordealert.org/news/south-burnett-council-axes-fluoride-from-town-supplies/</u> (South Burnett)	1,400	January 2013
<u>Muroo, Queensland, Australia</u> <u>http://www.fluordealert.org/news/south-burnett-council-axes-fluoride-from-town-supplies/</u> (South Burnett)	2,130*	January 2013
<u>Pine Island, Florida</u> <u>http://www.fluordealert.org/news/south-burnett-council-axes-fluoride-from-town-supplies/</u>	18,000 water customers	December 11, 2012
Whitherton, Queensland, Australia (Tablelands Regional Council)	7,300	December 2012
Mareeba, Queensland, Australia (Tablelands Regional Council)	10,200	December 2012
Kuranda, Queensland, Australia (Tablelands Regional Council)	3,000	December 2012

<u>Manand, Queensland, Australia (Tablelands Regional Council)</u>	2 110	December 21, 12
<u>Kirkland Lake, Ontario, Canada</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/kirkland-lake-township-resists-artificially-fluoridated-water-supply)	8 133	December 21, 12
<u>Milton, Florida</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/milton-no-longer-adding-fluoride-to-water)	7 000	November 23, 12
<u>Bradford, Vermont</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/bradford-stops-fluoridating-water-supply-wastewater-treatment)	766	November 23, 12
<u>Barnesville, New York</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/barnesville-despite-dentists-creas-seneca-supersource-fluoride-for-water-district-1/)	400	November 23, 12
<u>Pulaski, New York</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/pulaski-decides-to-reject-fluoride-from-water-system)	2 167	November 13, 2012
<u>Wyche, Kansas</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/1835/)	361 007	November 6, 2012
<u>Harvard, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/harvard-voters-say-no-to-fluoride)	1 000	November 6, 2012
<u>Crescent City, California</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/crescent-city-measures-to-passes-no-fluoride-water-fluoridation-2/)	14 000	November 6, 2012
<u>Lake View, Iowa</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lake-view-to-get-rid-of-fluoride-to-water-system)	1 130	October 17, 2012
<u>Cassadaga, New York</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/cassadaga-voters-reject-fluoridation/)	631	October 17, 2012
<u>Whitkirk, New Zealand</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/whitkirk-to-remove-fluoride-from-public-water)	4 100	September 28, 2012
<u>Cunningham, Queensland, Australia</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/cunningham-voters-reject-fluoride-plans/)	1 217	August 9, 2012
<u>Orillia, Ontario, Canada</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/orillia-city-says-no-to-fluoride)	30 500	July 17, 2012
<u>Rosetown, Saskatchewan, Canada</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/rosetown-voters-reject-artificially-fluoridated-water)	2 300	July 16, 2012
<u>Santa Fe, New Mexico</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/santa-fe-city-council-votes-to-stop-artificially-fluoridated-water-supply)	66 642	July 11, 2012
<u>Argos, Indiana</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/argos-stops-artificially-fluoridated-town-water)	1 693	June 6, 2012
<u>Bassett, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/bassett-voters-reject-fluoridation)	607	May 15, 2012
<u>Passaic, Colorado</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/passaic-voters-reject-fluoridation)	3 000	May 11, 2012

Payson, Missouri (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/05/01/ends-of-day-1st/)	6100	May 1, 2012
Lakeville (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/04/26/officials-suit-to-put-back-in-drinking-water-lakeville-north-liberty-walkerton-stopped-adding-it-to-indiana.html)	756	Spring 2012
Walkerton (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/04/26/officials-suit-to-put-back-in-drinking-water-lakeville-north-liberty-walkerton-stopped-adding-it-to-indiana.html)	1896	Spring 2012
Walkerton (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/04/26/officials-suit-to-put-back-in-drinking-water-lakeville-north-liberty-walkerton-stopped-adding-it-to-indiana.html)	2140	Spring 2012
Proctor, Alberta, Canada (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/04/23/fluoride-from-drinking-water-supply/)	26000	April 23, 2012
Cuzco (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/04/22/ends-of-contaminated-drinking-water/)	140000	April 22, 2012
Abiquetue, New Mexico (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/04/11/fluoride-from-drinking-water-act-ends-of-contaminated-drinking-water/)	50000	April 11, 2012
West Maryland, Pennsylvania (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/04/08/west-maryland-fluoride-free-water/)	8000	April 8, 2012
Bourbon, Indiana (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/03/23/fluoride-free-water-act-ends-of-contaminated-drinking-water/)	2000	March 23, 2012
Amherstburg, Ontario, Canada (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/02/07/fluoride-free-water-act-ends-of-contaminated-drinking-water/)	20000	February 7, 2012
Savoy, Missouri (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/02/03/fluoride-free-water-act-ends-of-contaminated-drinking-water/)	11000	February 3, 2012
Everstown, Pennsylvania (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2012/01/15/fluoride-free-water-act-ends-of-contaminated-drinking-water/)	3600	January 15, 2012
Madland Township, Michigan (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2011/12/20/fluoride-free-water-act-ends-of-contaminated-drinking-water/)	14000	December 20, 2011
Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2011/12/19/fluoride-free-water-act-ends-of-contaminated-drinking-water/)	140000	December 19, 2011
Dieppe, New Brunswick, Canada (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2011/12/10/fluoride-free-water-act-ends-of-contaminated-drinking-water/)	10000	December 10, 2011
Graniteburg, Wisconsin (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2011/12/02/fluoride-free-water-act-ends-of-contaminated-drinking-water/)	1300	December 2, 2011
Lake Cowichan, British Columbia, Canada (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/2011/11/19/fluoride-free-water-act-ends-of-contaminated-drinking-water/)	3000	November 19, 2011

[Arroyo, California \(fluoridation\)](#)

[Amesbury, Massachusetts](#) 16,500 November 8, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/amesbury-residents-vote-to-end-fluoridation-of-the-citys-water>

[Lakeshore, Ontario, Canada](#) 30,000 October 31, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lakeshore-towns-votes-fluoride-from-water-supply-2/>

[Palmer, Alaska](#) 6,400 October 25, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/palmer-organized-water-shut-off again>

[Lawrenceburg, Tennessee](#) 11,000 October 14, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lawrenceburg-voters-vote-to-remove-fluoride-from-lawrenceburg-water-supply/>

[Chatham, Ontario, Canada](#) 1,000 October 18, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/chatham-fluoridation-goes-down-hill>

[New Plymouth, New Zealand](#) 50,000 October 13, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/new-plymouth-district-ends-fluoridation-of-city-plymouth-waters-after-referendum>

[Palmer, Alaska](#) 6,400 October 11, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/palmer-shut-down-fluoridation-of-citys-water-supply/>

[Weish, Louisiana](#) 3,600 October 4, 2011

[Spencer, Indiana, BPP Water](#) 10,600 September 30, 2011

[College Station, Texas](#) 100,000 September 22, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/college-station-voters-vote-to-stop adding fluoride to water supply>

[Sawley Lake, Alberta, Canada](#) 7,000 September 12, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sawley-lake-voters-vote-to-end-fluoridation>

[Lawrenceburg, Tennessee](#) 11,000 September 6, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lawrenceburg-voters-vote-to-end-fluoride-from-water>

[Pottstown, Pennsylvania](#) 16,600 August 16, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/pottstown-fluoride-wont-be-added-to-pottstown-water>

[Spring Hill, Tennessee](#) 30,000 August 15, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/spring-hill-to-out-fluoridated-water>

[Tapei, Alberta, Canada](#) 6,600 July 20, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/tapei-voters-vote-to-get-rid-of-fluoride-in-water>

[Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan, Canada](#) 5,000 July 4, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/meadow-lake-city-council-votes-with-95-percent-to-end-fluoride>

[Tauranga, New Zealand](#) 5,000 June 30, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/tauranga-municipality-stops-fluoridation/>

[Fairbanks, Alaska](#) 40,000 June 6, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/fairbanks-city-council-votes-5-1-to-end-fluoridation>

[Naples Village, New York](#) 1,070 May 18, 2011

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/as-mouri>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/as-mouri>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/as-mouri>

Marina Vista, sm 6200 April 27, 2011

Lago Vista, Texas 6500 April 27, 2011

Menominee, Iowa 1000 April 17, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/menominee>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/menominee>

Marcelus, Michigan 1000 March 17, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marcelus>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marcelus>

Independence, Indiana 1000 February 18, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/independence>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/independence>

Lalgar, Alberta, Canada 1300000 February 8, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lalgar>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lalgar>

Leona Springs, Ohio 3000 February 7, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/leona>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/leona>

Lebanon, Quebec, Canada 5240 February 7, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lebanon>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lebanon>

Lehigh, Maine, Pennsylvania 3500 January 19, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lehigh>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lehigh>

Sparta, North Carolina 2000 November 15, 2010
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sparta>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sparta>

Lehigh, Tennessee 900 November 4, 2010
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lehigh>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lehigh>

Altabasca, Alberta, Canada 2600 November 1, 2010

Waterloo, St. Catharines and Elmira, Ontario, Canada 100000 October 26, 2010
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/waterloo>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/waterloo>

O'Fallon, Missouri 80000 October 5, 2010
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/offallon>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/offallon>

Red Bay, Arizona 1000 September 15, 2010
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/red-bay>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/red-bay>

Lana, California 77000 August 11, 2010
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lana>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lana>

Sanger, California 7350 July 24, 2010
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sanger>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sanger>

Semler, Tennessee 4500 June 10, 2010
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/semler>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/semler>

Kaikhe, New Zealand 4000 May 17, 2010
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/kaikhe>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/kaikhe>

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/quebec-rejects-fluoride/>

[Quebec, Nebraska](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/quebec-rejects-fluoride/) 7,700 May 11, 2010
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/quebec-rejects-fluoride/>)

[Dakota City, Nebraska](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dakota-city-nebraska-residents-vote-against-fluoridation/) 1,900 May 11, 2010
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dakota-city-nebraska-residents-vote-against-fluoridation/>)

[Franklin County, Nebraska](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/franklin-county-nebraska-residents-vote-against-fluoridation/) 9,200 May 11, 2010
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/franklin-county-nebraska-residents-vote-against-fluoridation/>)

[Porter, Nebraska](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/portland-residents-vote-no-to-fluoridation-for-the-third-time/) 24,000 May 11, 2010
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/portland-residents-vote-no-to-fluoridation-for-the-third-time/>)

[Wahoo, Nebraska](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wahoo-residents-vote-against-fluoridation/) 4,500 May 11, 2010
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wahoo-residents-vote-against-fluoridation/>)

[Gatineau, Quebec, Canada](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/franciscan-rejects-fluoride/) 266,349 May 10, 2010
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/franciscan-rejects-fluoride/>)

[Schuylkill Haven Borough, Pennsylvania](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/schuylkill-county-pennsylvania-haven-to-stop-add-copper-to-water-supply/) 5,000 February 4, 2010
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/schuylkill-county-pennsylvania-haven-to-stop-add-copper-to-water-supply/>)

[Xenia, Ohio](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/xenia-will-not-add-fluoride-to-drinking-water/) 26,900 December 16, 2009
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/xenia-will-not-add-fluoride-to-drinking-water/>)

[Beacon, New York](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/beacon-city-nj-local-authorities-mayor-to-say-no-to-fluoridation/) 12,500 December 7, 2009
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/beacon-city-nj-local-authorities-mayor-to-say-no-to-fluoridation/>)

[Amery, Wisconsin](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/city-of-amery-resumes-fluoridation/) 2,600 December 30, 2009
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/city-of-amery-resumes-fluoridation/>)

[Wyandotte, Nebraska](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wyandotte-county-rejects-fluoride/) 1,100 November 10, 2009
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wyandotte-county-rejects-fluoride/>)

[Yutan, Nebraska](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/yutan-says-no-to-fluoride/) 1,190 November 10, 2009
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/yutan-says-no-to-fluoride/>)

[Jumboldt, Kansas](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/jumboldt-residents-say-no-to-fluoridation/) 1,940 September 22, 2009
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/jumboldt-residents-say-no-to-fluoridation/>)

[Wakefield, Nebraska](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wakefield-rejects-fluoridation-proposal/) 1,400 September 15, 2009
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wakefield-rejects-fluoridation-proposal/>)

[Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/thunder-bay-council-says-no-to-fluoride/) 108,359 July 21, 2009
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/thunder-bay-council-says-no-to-fluoride/>)

[Parkfield, Vermont](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/parkfield-cant-fluoride-tap-water/) 1,000 March 3, 2009
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/parkfield-cant-fluoride-tap-water/>) (voted to remove fluoride)

[Coupeville, Wisconsin](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/coupeville-wisconsin-council-votes-against-fluoride-for-the-2nd-time/) 13,660 February 17, 2009
(<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/coupeville-wisconsin-council-votes-against-fluoride-for-the-2nd-time/>)

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/ontario-debate/>

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/ontario-debate-stops-water-fluoridation/>

26,161

January 6, 2009

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/ontario-debate-stops-fluoridation/>

615

January 1, 2009

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

7,000

December 31, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

November 13, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

690

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

200

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

11,000

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

1,200

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

4,400

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

1,200

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

1,200

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

12,400

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

1,500

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

3,500

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

1,960

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

0,900

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

5,900

November 4, 2008

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/dayton-voters-stop-fluoride-from-water-supply/>

3,900

November 4, 2008

<u>Gretna, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	395	November 4, 2008
<u>Harlan City, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	2,900	November 4, 2008
<u>Hepler, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	1,000	November 4, 2008
<u>Hering, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	1,000	November 4, 2008
<u>Genoa, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	2,200	November 4, 2008
<u>Hatherton, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	2,500	November 4, 2008
<u>Grand Island, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/grand-island-rejects-fluoridation-of-citys-water/)	48,600	November 4, 2008
<u>Grant, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	1,160	November 4, 2008
<u>Hastings, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/hastings-judges-over-appeals-to-reject-fluoridation/)	24,900	November 4, 2008
<u>Hebron, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	1,500	November 4, 2008
<u>Imperial, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/imperial-city-residents-vote-to-reject-fluoridation/)	2,100	November 4, 2008
<u>Kimball, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/bayard-ridgeport-and-kimball-voters-reject-fluoridation/)	2,400	November 4, 2008
<u>Lexington, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	10,200	November 4, 2008
<u>Madison, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/madison-answers-to-schuyler-battle-creek-vote-rejection/)	2,400	November 4, 2008
<u>Millard, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/millard-city-votes-no-to-fluoridation/)	2,080	November 4, 2008
<u>Mitchell, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	1,700	November 4, 2008
<u>North Platte, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	24,700	November 4, 2008
<u>Ord, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/grand-island-rejects-fluoridation-of-citys-water/)	2,100	November 4, 2008
<u>Pawnee City, Nebraska</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/marietta-communities-vote-to-opt-out-of-fluoride-plan/)	800	November 4, 2008

[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/clarke-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/clarke-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Platteville, Nebraska 1 200 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/platteville-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/platteville-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Platteville, Nebraska 1 300 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/platteville-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/platteville-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Pierson, Nebraska 6 200 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/pierson-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/pierson-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Scottsbluff, Nebraska 16 000 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sb-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sb-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Seaton, Nebraska 1 150 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/seaton-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/seaton-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Sidney, Nebraska 6 750 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sidney-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sidney-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

St. Paul, Nebraska 2 290 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/stpaul-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/stpaul-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Stanton, Nebraska 1 500 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/stanton-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/stanton-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Stromberg, Nebraska 1 170 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/stromberg-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/stromberg-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Sutherland, Nebraska 1 280 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sutherland-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sutherland-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Sutton, Nebraska 1 500 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sutton-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sutton-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Terrebonne, Nebraska 1 700 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/terrebonne-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/terrebonne-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Valentine, Nebraska 2 700 November 4, 2006

Wesley, Nebraska 1,050 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wesley-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wesley-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Wilber, Nebraska 1 600 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wilber-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wilber-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Wood River, Nebraska 1 300 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/woodriver-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/woodriver-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

Wyand, Nebraska 1 400 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wyand-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wyand-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

York, Nebraska 7 700 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/york-voters-
say-no-to-fluoridation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/york-voters-
say-no-to-fluoridation/)

Platteville, Nebraska 1 000 November 4, 2006
[http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/platteville-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/](http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/platteville-
and-6629-11-no-fluoride-fundation/)

<u>England, Lancashire, England</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	80,000	September 23, 2008
<u>England, Lancashire, England</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	80,000	September 18, 2008
<u>Amarillo, Texas</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	7,470	September 8, 2008
<u>Hampden, Wairarapa, New Zealand</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>		September 6, 2008
<u>Alexandra, New Zealand</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	4,660	September 6, 2008
<u>Dunwell, New Zealand</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	4,000	August 18, 2008
<u>Isle of Man</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	84,000	June 12, 2008
<u>Siba, New York</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	2,370	June 4, 2008
<u>Littleton, Massachusetts</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	6,800	May 10, 2008
<u>Yarmouth, Massachusetts</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	25,000	May 6, 2008
<u>Dryden, Ontario, Canada</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	7,600	April 2008
<u>Quebec City, Canada</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	760,000	April 2008
<u>Holland, Panama, and parts of Toronto, Ontario, Canada</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>		February 2008
<u>Buckhead, New York</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	32,700	February 2008
<u>Marina, Humboldt County, California</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	784	February 2008
<u>Lewisburg, Tennessee</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	11,000	2008
<u>Elgin City Council, Texas</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>	8,262	November 2007
<u>Waitaki District Council, New Zealand</u> <u>http://www.flooddealer.org/news/england-2008-raincast-rejects-flood-dealer/</u>		October 2007
<u>Ketchikan, Alaska</u>	30,000	October 2007

O'Conner, L.D. Sparta, White County, Georgia		August 3, 2006
Quetzel, William L.D. Sparta, White County, Georgia		August 14, 2008
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/quezel-l-d-quezel-quetzel-white-county-georgia-usa-06/ http://www.flooddealer.org/news/quezel-l-d-quezel-quetzel-white-county-georgia-usa-06/ http://www.flooddealer.org/news/quezel-l-d-quezel-quetzel-white-county-georgia-usa-06/	4,536	August 2007
Marsha County, Buffa, Leesburg, Marion County, Georgia		July 27, 2007
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/otherman-l-k-06/ http://www.flooddealer.org/news/otherman-l-k-06/ http://www.flooddealer.org/news/otherman-l-k-06/	11,700	June 2009
Wafarado, L.D. Lebanon, Wilcox County, Georgia		May 20, 2008
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 	40,000	May 2009
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 	4,000	May 2006
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 	1,500	May 2008
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 	2,600	May 2006
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 		May 7, 2006
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 		May 7, 2008
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 	46,000	May 2006
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 	1,170	April 2007
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 	400	April 2007
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 		March 5, 2007
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 		2007
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 	147,495 as of 2010	December 19, 2008
http://www.flooddealer.org/news/warner-county-four-townships-rebuild-flooded-area/ 	31,000	December 11, 2006

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/ashland-oregon/>
[fluoride](#)

Ashland, Oregon 20,000 November 21, 2006
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/ashland-voters-bill-to-repeal-ashland-fluoride-reversed-in-2006>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/ashland-voters-to-fluoridize/>

LeFlore, Oklahoma 290 November 21, 2006

Page, Arizona 7,000 November 7, 2006
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/page-voters-reject-fluoridization/>

Long, Maine 5,422 November 7, 2006
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/long-voters-reject-fluoridization/>

Hookford, Iowa 800 January 12, 2006
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/hookford-voters-reject-fluoride-water-treatment/>

Golden, British Columbia, Canada 3,500 November 19, 2005
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/golden-voters-reject-fluoridization/>

Lafayette, Tennessee 4,000 November 9, 2005
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lafayette-onlines-fluoridation-program/>

Bellingham, Washington State 60,500 November 8, 2005
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/bellingham-voters-reject-fluoridization/>

Springfield, Ohio 60,000 November 5, 2005
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/springfield-voters-reject-fluoride/>

Kenia, Ohio 23,000 November 8, 2005

Twinsburg, Ohio 25,000 November 6, 2005
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/twinsburg-voters-reject-fluoridization/>

Mammoth Lakes, California 7,500 November 8, 2005

Home, New York 3,346 November 7, 2005
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/home-council-votes-to-stop-fluoridation/>

hood River, Oregon 1,000 May 2005
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/hood-river-voters-pass-measure-to-keep-contaminated-fluoride-from-drinking-water/>

Neosho, Missouri 11,000 Apr. 5, 2005
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/neosho-voters-spill/>

Pagosa Springs, Colorado 1,600 March 2005
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/pagosa-voters-reject-fluoride-ban/>

Spokane, Washington State 9,000 January 2005
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/spokane-council-votes-not-to-add-fluoride-to-the-water/>

Lancaster, Ohio 35,000 November 2, 2004
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lancaster-votes-against-the-drain-in-lancaster/>

Hutchinson, Kansas 55,000 November 2, 2004
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/hutchinson-adds-fluoride-to-drinking-water/>

http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/jeffers-declares-against-fundation-of-water/		
Mason, Washington State (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/municipal-stop-bottling-fluoride-in-water)	6,500	September 21, 2004
Telukanga, Canada (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/voters-reject-fluoride-ban/)	2,300	September 2004
Sumner, Washington State (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sumner-declares-bottling-fluoride-in-water)	9,000	August 2, 2004
South River Water District, Tennessee (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/south-county-voters-reject-opts-against-fundation/)		June 2004
Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/wisconsin-voters-over-are-may-vote-against-fundation/) (Rejected again in 2009)	13,000	April 2004
Honolulu, Hawaii (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/communities-votes-to-ban-fluoridation/)	300,000	January 26, 2004
Lancaster, Ohio (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/fluoride-rejects-fluoride-ban-the-city-of-walpole/)	35,000	January 12, 2004
Burns Lake, British Columbia, Canada (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/timberlake-voters-end-40-years-of-fundation/)	3,100	June 28, 2003
Linton, Ontario, Canada (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/region-communities-to-ban-fluoridation/)	3,000	June 2003
West Egan, Ontario, Canada (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/region-communities-to-ban-fluoridation/)	5,400	June 2003
Sequim, Washington State (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/sequim-county-rejects-fluoridation/)	6,000	May 7, 2003
New, Nebraska (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/york-voters-ops-fluoridation-the-city-of-ny/)		May 6, 2003
Columbia, Alabama (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/scott-county-water-board-votes-not-to-fluoridation/)	4,000	May 2003
Canton, New York (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/canton-declares-its-tap-water-is-fluoride-free/)	6,000	February 16, 2003
Shaler, Pennsylvania (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/naperville-rejects-shalers-water-fluoride-free/)	8,900 (as of 2011)	February 11, 2003
Billings, Montana (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/billings-voters-reject-fluoride-for-the-first-time-in-40-years/)	125,000	November 5, 2002
Kalispell, Montana (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/kalispell-fluoride-proposal-declined/)	15,000	November 5, 2002
Washoe County, Nevada (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/washoe-county-votes-not-to-fluoridation/)		November 5, 2002

<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/erie.asp>

Passaic, California 66,000 November 5, 2002
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/passaic.asp>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/passaic.asp>

Watsonville, California 50,000 November 5, 2002
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/watsonville.asp>
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/watsonville.asp>

Texarkana, Arkansas 31,660 November 5, 2002
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/texarkana-votes-no-to-fluoridation>

Springville, Arkansas 5,150 November 5, 2002
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/springville-no-arkansas>

Quebec, Canada 10,729 August 6, 2002
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/quebec-city-council-votes-no-to-fluoridation>

Franklin, North Carolina 3,869 as of 2011 May 20, 2011
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/franklin-turns-off-water-fluoridation>

Hampton, Massachusetts 7,653 April 1, 2002
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/hampton-council-votes-no-to-fluoridation>

Monroe, Louisiana 51,200 February 26, 2002
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/monroe-louisiana-votes-no-to-fluoridation>

Colorado Springs, Colorado 430,000 January 16, 2002
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/colorado-springs-city-council-votes-no-to-fluoridation>

Kenneth, Washington 76,264 (as of 2011) January 15, 2002
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/kenneth-council-rejects-fluoridation>

Bennington, Vermont 15,064 January 6, 2002
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/bennington-dental-health.com/index-recommends-no-fluoridation>

Lanai, Hawaii January 2002
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/lanai-working-water-act-to-be-fluoridated>

Shelburne, Ontario, Canada December 11, 2001
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/shelburne-act-to-be-fluoridated>

Erie, Colorado November 2001
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/erie-votes-down-fluoridation> (NOTE: FAN was informed in Jan 2013 that Erie is fluoridating. We do not know when the reversal took place)

Modesto, California 202,751 (as of 2011) November 7, 2001
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/modesto-city-council-votes-format-to-fluoride-drains>

Worcester, Massachusetts 181,631 (as of 2011) November 7, 2001
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/worcester-votes-no-to-fluoridation>

Flagstaff, Arizona November 7, 2001
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/flagstaff-voters-fluoridation>

Guthrie, Oregon 7,797 (as of 2011) November 7, 2001
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/guthrie-keeps-fluoride-out-of-water>

Kamloops, British Columbia, Canada October 13, 2001

<u>White Salmon, Washington</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/columbia-river-gorge-communities-say-no-to-fluoridation/)	2,266 (as of 2011)	September 2004
<u>Goldendale, Washington</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/columbia-river-gorge-communities-say-no-to-fluoridation/)	3,471 (as of 2011)	September 2004
<u>Bishopville, South Carolina</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/bishopville-to-stop-adding-fluoride-to-water/)		June 2004
<u>Harper, Kansas</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/citizen-opposition-sinks-plan-to-fluoridate-harper-ks/)	1,463 (as of 2011)	March 2004
<u>Brewster, Massachusetts</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/brewster-voters-soundly-reject-fluoride/)	10,094	May 15, 2004
<u>McPherson, Kansas</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/mcpherson-voters-soundly-reject-fluoride/)	13,182 (as of 2011)	April 5, 2004
<u>Norridgewock, Maine</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/norridgewock-votes-no-to-fluoridation/)	3,367 (as of 2010)	May 5, 2004
<u>Blue River, Wisconsin</u>	435 (as of 2011)	February 2004
<u>Williamina, Oregon</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/willamina-school-says-no-to-fluoride/)	2,042 (as of 2011)	January 2004
<u>Straca, New York</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/straca-votes-no-to-fluoridation/)	29,974	November 7, 2000
<u>Spokane, Washington</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/fluoridation-quest-widens-in-wash-noted/)	240,103 (as of 2011)	November 7, 2000
<u>Battleboro, Vermont</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/battleboro-decision-not-to-fluoridate-its-water/)	12,005	November 7, 2000
<u>East Wenatchee, Washington</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/east-wenatchee-voters-reject-fluoride/)	13,375 (as of 2011)	November 7, 2000
<u>Shawano, Wisconsin</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/shawano-votes-no-to-fluoridation/)	9,263 (as of 2011)	November 7, 2000
<u>Libby City, Utah</u>		November 7, 2000
<u>Hyrum City, Utah</u>		November 7, 2000
<u>Providence City, Utah</u>		November 7, 2000
<u>Smelter City, Utah</u>		November 7, 2000
<u>Logan City, Utah</u>		November 7, 2000
<u>River Heights, Utah</u>		November 7, 2000
<u>Poquannock, New Jersey</u> (http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/poquannock-new-jersey-votes-against-fluoridation/)		November 7, 2000
<u>Ozark, Missouri</u>	10,082	November 7, 2000

Kitimat, British Columbia, Canada		March 1996 - quit
Hot Springs, Arkansas		February 1997
Ridgetfield, Oregon	4,782 (as of 2011)	December 22, 1997
Largo, Florida	77,725 (as of 2011)	July 15, 1997
Clearwater, Florida	107,784 (as of 2011)	July 15, 1997
North Redington Beach, Florida	14,418 (as of 2011)	July 15, 1997
Amsterdam, New York	17,534	May 21, 1997
Suisun City, California	26,330 (as of 2011)	May 1, 1997
Leidsy, Pennsylvania	2,440 (as of 2011)	April 18, 1997
Village of Oxfordville, Wisconsin	1,441 (as of 2011)	December 9, 1996
Western Nassau County, New York	18,000	November 21, 1996 quit after 25 years
Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada		November 18, 1996 quit after 42 years
Gothenberg, Nebraska	3,583 (as of 2011)	December 1996
Bloomer, Wisconsin	3,560 (as of 2011)	November 6, 1996
Kodiak, Alaska	6,100	July 12, 1995
Cane Place, New York	5,130	February 11, 1996 - quit
Winter Springs, Florida	33,488 (as of 2011)	January 10, 1996
Flagler, Florida	466,457 (as of 2011)	December 14, 1995
York, Pennsylvania	43,854 (as of 2011)	July 29, 1995
Troutmont, Maryland		February 3, 1994
Albany, New York	93,963	December 3, 1994
Proletown, Maryland		November 1993 - quit
Barnstable (Cape Cod), Massachusetts	47,640	November 4, 1993
Wagoner, Oklahoma		June 17, 1993
Petaluma Valley, California	1,729 (as of 2011)	February 6, 1993
Los Altos Hills, Peninsula, California	8,146 (as of 2011)	1993
Campbell River, British Columbia, Canada		April 1993 - quit after 63 years

Woolster, Ohio
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/woolster-voters-say-no-to-fluoride/>

November 7, 2000

Squamish, British Columbia, Canada
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/squamish-votes-no-to-fluoridation/>

October 16, 2000

Moodside, California
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/moodside-california-rejects-fluoridation/>

5,351
(as of 2011)

September 2000

St. Genevieve, Missouri
<http://www.fluoridealert.org/news/residents-stg-against-fluoridating-citys-water-in-referendum/>

4,404
(as of 2011)

August 8, 2000

Winfield, Kansas

12,258
(as of 2011)

March 6, 2000

Wilmington, Massachusetts

21,363

February 15, 2000

Santa Barbara, California

69,045
(as of 2011)

November 23, 1999

Johnstown, New York

8,436

November 19, 1999

Wichita, Kansas

365,000
(as of 2011)

October 26, 1999

Boca Raton, Florida

65,329
(as of 2011)

October 25, 1999

E. Cajon, California

100,928
(as of 2011)

April 27, 1999

Helix Water District, California

April 7, 1999

La Brea Water District, California

April 6, 1999

Hutchinson, Kansas

March 30, 1999

Riverview Water District, California

March 24, 1999

La Mesa, California
http://www.nchlucide.com/la_mesa_cities_say_no.htm#10

57,907
(as of 2011)

March 9, 1999

Santa Cruz, California

60,342
(as of 2011)

March 4, 1999
banned

Olympia, Washington

47,266
(as of 2011)

December 15, 1999

Bremerton, Washington

39,051
(as of 2011)

February 2, 1999

Seward, Nebraska

8,946
(as of 2011)

November 3, 1998

Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, Canada

July 28, 1998 quit
after 30 years

Grand Island, Nebraska

49,239
(as of 2011)

May 13, 1998 quit

Norfolk, Nebraska

21,248
(as of 2011)

May 13, 1998

North Platte, Nebraska

24,654
(as of 2011)

May 13, 1998

under 18 years

Squamish British Columbia Canada

November 1993 but
after 20 years

Fort Smith Arkansas

November 3 1992

Milwaukee Wisconsin

913
(as of 2011)

October 17 1992

Bellingham Washington

May 19 1992

Comox/Courtenay British Columbia Canada

February 1992

Palm Beach County Florida

October 22 1991

Note: Parts of the county are fluoridated

Ketchikan Alaska

6 000

October 2 1991

Suffolk County New York

1,512,224

August 15 1991

Davis California

66 016
(as of 2011)

December 14 1990
5th reaction

Morgan Hill California

32 477
(as of 2011)

March 7 1990 but

See also separate [list of communities that have stopped fluoridation since 2010](#)

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Commission Agenda Report

City of Kalamazoo

TO: Mayor Hopewell, Vice Mayor Cooney, and City Commissioners

FROM: Clyde J. Robinson, City Attorney

DATE: 1/20/2016

SUBJECT: Excess Workers Compensation Premium

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission authorize the payment of \$108,568.00 as the 2016 excess workers compensation premium.

BACKGROUND

This is statutorily required workers compensation coverage for the City. The City was confronted with a workers compensation insurance market which is seeking to impose greater self-insured retention levels on employers (the City has had an \$850,000 self-insured retention (SIR) which has been rarely exceeded) and higher premiums due to rising medical costs. The City also faces greater exposure due to its operation of a transit system (bus drivers are particularly prone to back and arm injuries).

The City was able to retain its current SIR of \$850,000, but saw a 9% rate increase from 25.6 cents per \$100 of payroll to 28 cents per \$100 of payroll. Had the City increased its SIR, the rate increase would not have been as large, but the City would have had to shoulder more of the risk. Our insurance agent Keyser Group advised that the City should retain the lower SIR of \$850,000.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES CONSULTED

The various options for coverage were reviewed by Management Services Director/CFO Tom Skrobola.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost of the premium has been figured into the recently approved 2016 City budget.

ALTERNATIVES

The City could reduce the increase of the premium by opting to increase its SIR to \$1 million, however this is not recommended as although the City has historically experienced very few claims of that magnitude, there are several open claims which could reach this level and it is expected that with the transfer of Metro Transit to the County this fall, the City will experience less exposure to claims. In short, there is little reward, despite the increase, for taking on additional exposure liability.

ATTACHMENTS:

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Schedule Declaration Sheet

SAFETY NATIONAL CASUALTY CORPORATION
1832 SCHUETZ ROAD
ST. LOUIS, MO 63146

DECLARATIONS – SPECIFIC EXCESS

SP 4054228

Item 1. Employer: CITY OF KALAMAZOO

Address: 241 WEST SOUTH STREET, KALAMAZOO, MI 49007

Item 2. This Agreement covers all business operations of the EMPLOYER as a Self-Insurer in the following State(s): MICHIGAN

Item 3. Effective Date: 12:01 A.M. January 01, 2016

Item 4. Anniversary Date: 12:01 A.M. January 01, 2017

Item 5. The Service Company shall be EAGLE CLAIMS MANAGEMENT

Item 6.	CLASSIFICATIONS OF OPERATIONS	Code Number	Estimated Total Annual Remuneration/Manhours	Rate Per \$ 100 Remuneration/Manhours
	See Attached			

Total Estimated Manual Premium	N/A
SNCC Experience Modification Factor	N/A
Total Estimated Standard Premium	N/A

Item 7. Self-Insured Retention Per Occurrence \$ 850,000

Item 8. (a) Maximum Limit of Indemnity Per Occurrence Statutory
(b) Employers' Liability Maximum Limit of Indemnity Per Occurrence \$ 1,000,000

Item 9. Premium Rate \$ 0.28 per \$100 of Payroll

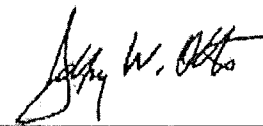
Item 10. Minimum Premium for the Liability Period \$ 105,311

Item 11. Deposit Premium for the Payroll Reporting Period \$ 108,568

Item 12. Payroll Reporting Period Annually as of January 01

Item 13. Endorsements See Endorsement Schedule

Signed at St. Louis, Missouri on January 04, 2016



Secretary

Countersigned this day of

By: N/A



Commission Agenda Report

City of Kalamazoo

TO: Mayor Hopewell, Vice Mayor Cooney, and City Commissioners

FROM: Scott A. Borling, City Clerk

DATE: 1/23/2016

SUBJECT: Approval of City Commission Minutes

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the minutes from its meetings on December 21, 2015 and January 19, 2016.

ATTACHMENTS:

Type	Description
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| ☐ | Minutes December 21, 2015 Business Meeting Minutes |
| ☐ | Minutes January 19, 2016 Business Meeting Minutes |

Roll Call

A business meeting of the Kalamazoo City Commission was held on Monday, December 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall, 241 W. South Street.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mayor Bobby Hopewell
Vice Mayor Don Cooney
David Anderson
Erin Knott
Matt Milcarek
Shannon Sykes
Jack Urban

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

None

Also present were City Manager Jim Ritsema, City Attorney Clyde Robinson, and City Clerk Scott Borling.

Invocation/Pledge

The invocation, given by Minister Dorla Bonner, Galilee Baptist Church, was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of the Agenda

By unanimous consent the City Commission adopted its meeting agenda with the following changes:

Mayor Hopewell stated the City Attorney would have report on a Tolling Agreement extension under the Reports and Legislation section of the agenda.

Public Hearing re: an Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Code to Add Regulations for Outdoor Sports and Recreation Lighting

At 7:03 p.m. Mayor Hopewell opened a public hearing to receive comments on an ordinance amending Sections 12.3, 3.7, 4.1 and 8.3.D. of the Zoning Ordinance to add outdoor sports/recreation lighting and noise regulations.

Deb Killarney, City resident, spoke about the problem of noise and asked that the City Commission consider noise regulations for all neighborhoods.

Claus Globig, City resident, expressed opposition to outdoor lighting at school sports fields.

Max Tibbitts, City resident, stated the proposed ordinance was really about Kalamazoo College (K-College), and he expressed opposition to rules and regulations in the ordinance that were overly burdensome. Mr. Tibbitts pointed out the City did not have the staff to follow up on noise and lighting complaints, and he suggested that an ombudsman liaise between the residents and neighborhoods and the College. Mr. Tibbitts expressed opposition to the proposed ordinance.

Bruce Martin, City resident, spoke about a letter he had written with Vicki Nelson regarding the proposed ordinance. Mr. Martin urged the Commission to not adopt the proposed ordinance, let Ordinance 1896 take effect, and ask staff to develop an ordinance that worked for the whole City. Mr. Martin stated K-College and the surrounding neighborhood were joined at the hip, and he

asked the City to give residents an opportunity to deal directly with K-College to work out the issues. A copy of the letter written by Mr. Martin and Ms. Nelson was filed with the papers for this meeting.

Dana Underwood, City resident, asked the Commission to consider the remarks of Mr. Tibbitts and Mr. Martin, and she urged Commissioners to not think that a “no” vote meant they were undermining the work of City staff.

Kate Worster, Associate Vice President for Marketing and Communications at K-College, clarified that the College was not supporting or opposing the ordinance.

At 7:16 p.m. Mayor Hopewell closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Vice Mayor Cooney, moved to adopt an **ORDINANCE** amending Sections 12.3, 3.7, 4.1 and 8.3.D. of the Zoning Ordinance to add outdoor sports/recreation lighting and noise regulations.

Prior to a vote on the motion, and in response to questions from Commissioner Anderson, Community Planning and Development Director Laura Lam reviewed the history of the proposed ordinance and explained the stadium lighting regulations in Ordinance 1896 would become effective for K-College if a citywide outdoor lighting ordinance were not adopted by January 1, 2016. Director Lam noted the implementation of Ordinance 1896 would result in a set of outdoor lighting regulations for K-College but no regulations for the rest of the City. Director Lam stated projects for the Community Planning and Development Department in 2016 included the Master Plan review process and work on other ordinances and topics. Director Lam indicated the deadline set in Ordinance 1896 pushed stadium lighting to the top of the priority list in 2015. Director Lam stated she would look to the City Commission for a sense of direction on priorities for 2016.

In response to a request from Commissioner Urban, City Attorney Robinson explained that contract zoning was a rezoning with conditions attached. City Attorney Robinson stated that under Michigan contract zoning law the City was able to either accept or reject conditions as proposed by the rezoning applicant, and the City could establish timeframes for the conditions; but it could not negotiate the substance of the conditions with the applicant. City Attorney Robinson reviewed the conditions of the K-College rezoning from 2012 and noted the College could request a change to the conditions, which the City could accept or reject.

In response to a question from Commissioner Milcarek, City Attorney Robinson explained a request for a use or dimension variance would go to ZBA, but a request from K-College to revisit the conditions in the rezoning contract would probably need to go through the Planning Commission.

Public Hearing re: an Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Code to Add Regulations for Outdoor Sports and Recreation Lighting

Proposed Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Code re: Regulations for Outdoor Sports and Recreation Lighting

Proposed Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Code re: Regulations for Outdoor Sports and Recreation Lighting (cont'd)

Commissioner Anderson asked Director Lam and City Planner Rebekah Kik to comment on the strengths and weaknesses of the proposed ordinance.

In response to Commissioner Anderson, Director Lam stated outdoor lighting was a heated and complicated issue because of the history behind it. Director Lam indicated the community input gathered during the development of the ordinance pointed to multiple issues surrounding events at sports venues, but the proposed ordinance was supposed to address outdoor lighting only.

City Planner Kik stated there were a lot of concerns about noise and rental properties. City Planner Kik reported there were plans to have a committee to look at the noise ordinance, because there was not enough time in 2015 to deal with both outdoor lighting and noise.

In response to a question from Commissioner Anderson, Director Lam stated the proposed ordinance would prohibit Kalamazoo Christian High School from having outdoor lights on its athletic fields; if the ordinance were not adopted the school could bring another variance request to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

In response to a question from Vice Mayor Cooney, Director Lam explained that if the proposed ordinance was not adopted, K-College would be able to install and use lights on its football field after July.

In response to question from Commissioner Knott, Director Lam stated there would be an after-action review of the ordinance development process, which would include outreach to participants in process and input from City Commissioners.

In response to a question from Commissioner Milcarek, City Attorney Robinson explained Ordinance 1896 did not address noise, so any new noise ordinance would apply to K-College.

Discussion followed regarding the benefits and drawbacks of adopting, or not adopting, the proposed ordinance. Discussion also took place about the role of staff in the process if the proposed ordinance was not adopted.

Vice Mayor Cooney and Commissioner Sykes expressed support for letting residents and K-College work out the challenges related to outdoor lighting of the athletic fields.

Vice Mayor Cooney suggested the City could adopt a lighting ordinance in six months if there was an impasse in the discussions between the College and residents, but City Attorney Robinson clarified that any lighting ordinance adopted after January 1st would not apply to K-College.

Commissioner Milcarek noted that if action on the proposed ordinance were postponed, the use table needed to be changed to remove the exception for K-College, since the new ordinance would not apply to the College. Commissioner Milcarek stated changes to the noise ordinance needed to cover the whole City and not be done in a piecemeal fashion.

In response to a question from Mayor Hopewell, City Attorney Robinson stated it was his general inclination to say that K-College would need to go to the Zoning Board of Appeals to request changes under the proposed ordinance.

Commissioner Milcarek pointed out that voting "no" on the proposed ordinance would leave the K-College issue for residents and the College to work out, but there would be no lighting regulations for the rest of the City.

Commissioner Milcarek, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, moved to amend the proposed ordinance to remove the use table that included the IC/A zoning district and combine this table with the table above.

Commissioner Milcarek explained that his motion would create a substantial change to the ordinance that would require another first reading and postpone adoption until the new year. Commissioner Milcarek stated Ordinance 1896 would take full effect, allowing residents and K-College to continue discussing their issues, while the amended ordinance could be adopted to create protections for the whole City. Commissioner Milcarek noted this would eliminate a potential gap in outdoor lighting regulations and not waste the work of staff to develop the proposed ordinance.

In response to a request from Mayor Hopewell, City Attorney Robinson stated Commissioner Milcarek's amendment would be a substantial change that would require another first reading of the ordinance. City Attorney Robinson explained the amended ordinance could come back to the Commission at its next meeting, but he also noted that rejection of the ordinance at this meeting would not preclude staff from bringing the same ordinance forward at any future meeting. City Attorney Robinson indicated staff might have other changes to make to the ordinance besides the proposed amendment, and he recommended that if City Commissioners wanted to reject the ordinance they should simply vote it down.

Commissioner Milcarek withdrew his motion to amend the proposed ordinance.

With a roll call vote the motion to adopt the ordinance failed unanimously.

AYES: None

NAYS: Commissioners Anderson, Knott, Milcarek, Sykes, Urban,
Vice Mayor Cooney, Mayor Hopewell

At 8:21 p.m. Mayor Hopewell opened a public hearing to receive comments on the FY2016 Budget for the City of Kalamazoo.

Deputy City Manager Patsy Moore provided an overview of the Proposed FY2016 Budget. A copy of the PowerPoint slide presented by Deputy City Manager Moore was filed with the papers for this meeting.

Proposed Ordinance to
Amend the Zoning
Code re: Regulations
for Outdoor Sports and
Recreation Lighting
(cont'd)

Public Hearing re: the
Proposed FY2016
Budget

Public Hearing re: the
Proposed FY2016
Budget (cont'd)

Steve Deisler and Deb Houseman, President and Finance Director of Downtown Kalamazoo, Inc., reviewed the FY2016 Proposed Budget for the Downtown Development Authority (DDA). Mr. Deisler thanked City Manager Ritsema for his assistance during some difficult budget years for the downtown. Mr. Deisler stated 2016 should be a growth year, with the opening of the new Kalamazoo Valley Community College campus. Documents distributed by Mr. Deisler, including the Downtown CIP Plan and Parking System Budget (informational only), were filed with the papers for this meeting.

In response to questions from Commissioner Anderson, Mr. Deisler stated DKI had negotiated a five year payment schedule relative to the Zoetis tax appeal. Regarding the Metropolitan Center, Mr. Deisler explained there was an agreement between the DDA and Mavcon to return Tax Increment Financing (TIF) revenue to the developer, but the agreement needed to be revisited because TIF revenues were not as high as originally anticipated. Regarding the DDA fund balance after 2016, Mr. Deisler stated revenue estimate projections were better for 2017 and beyond compared to recent years. Mr. Deisler also indicated DKI would need to seek more grant funding.

Vice Mayor Cooney thanked Mr. Deisler for all his work on behalf of downtown.

City Manager Ritsema noted the bid opening for solid waste service proposals would take place on December 22nd, and there would be a report on the results at the Commission meeting on January 4th.

When an opportunity was given for citizens to comment on the Proposed FY2016 Budget, the following people addressed the City Commission:

Richard Stewart, City resident, commented on the budget and staffing levels in the City Manager's Office and Community Planning and Development Departments. Mr. Stewart stated a reduction in recycling or trash services would be the result of staffing and budget increases in these offices in 2014 and 2015. Mr. Stewart stated Priority Based Budgeting (PBB) was held up high as a management tool, but community engagement around PBB was low.

Chris Mbah, City resident, questioned where the one-time fixes were coming from to fill the budget gap, and he asked why \$1.2 million dollars had been sitting unused in an economic development fund for ten years. Mr. Mbah questioned why his idea for a public comment form had not been implemented.

At 8:56 p.m. Mayor Hopewell closed the public hearing.

Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda items were presented as follows with a recommendation to approve the items and authorize for the City Manager to sign on behalf of the City:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - approval of three year contract with Soil and Materials Engineers, Inc. for materials testing services in the total amount of \$109,300 for fiscal years 2016 through 2018. - approval of a change order to the contract with Student Haulers for the removal and disposal of trash, nuisances, and garbage collected pursuant to the enforcement of various city ordinances in the amount of \$59,000 to bring the total contract to \$120,000. - approval of a twelve-month maintenance contract with Hexagon/ Intergraph Corporation for the continued maintenance of the City's computer aided dispatching, records management, and mobile data computing systems in the amount of \$160,865.40. - approval of a contract extension purchase of water meters from Etna Supply Company in the amount of \$200,000. | Consent Agenda
(cont'd) |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - adoption of a RESOLUTION setting the schedule of regular City Commission meetings for the 2016 calendar year. | Resolution 15-49 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - adoption of a RESOLUTION approving new Homestead Neighborhood Enterprise Zone certificates for 525 Oak Street, 509 Minor Avenue, 416 Park Place, and 715 S. Park Street; and approving the transfer of an existing certificate for 918 Oak Street. | Resolution 15-50 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - approval of service agreements to cross jurisdictional boundaries between Metro Transit and other political subdivisions. - approval of the <i>Sixth Amendment to Restated Contract of Sublease</i> for the City of Kalamazoo parking system. - acceptance of a grant from the Kalamazoo Municipal Recreation Endowment Fund in the amount of \$28,148. - approval of the Mayor's appointment and reappointment to the Historic District Commission: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the appointment of Bobby Joe Shell for a term expiring on January 1, 2019; and - the reappointment of Bob Oudsema for a term expiring on January 1, 2019. - approval of the following appointments to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the appointment of Christopher Bol for a term expiring on January 1, 2019; and - the appointment of Pam Roland for a term expiring on January 1, 2019. - approval of the minutes from the City Commission meeting on December 7, 2015. | |

Consent Agenda
(cont'd)

- approval recommendation to hold until January 4, 2016 consideration of a purchase agreement with Burdick-Crosstown Square, LLC to purchase a portion of City-owned land located at the intersection of Crosstown and Burdick.

Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Urban, 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 unanimously.

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

NAYS: None

Regular Agenda

Regular Agenda items were considered next.

Ordinance 1936 re:
the Regulation of
Quadricycles

An opportunity was given for citizens to comment on the adoption of an ordinance to regulate quadricycles, but no comments were offered.

Commissioner Milcarek, seconded by Commissioner Knott, moved to adopt an **ORDINANCE** to regulate quadricycles.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

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

NAYS: None

City Manager's Report

City Manager Ritsema provided the following reports and updates:

- Departmental Reports and Project Updates
- *Inside the City* Newsletter, December 2015 Edition
- November 2015 Purchases

City Manager Ritsema asked for direction regarding the next steps for the stadium lighting ordinance.

Commissioner Urban discussed the importance of an after action review by staff. Commissioner Urban commented on the difference between citizen involvement and stakeholder involvement, and he stated stakeholders should organize themselves, discuss the issue, and give a report to City staff before staff members attempt to write an ordinance.

Commissioner Milcarek suggested an ordinance be brought forward soon to make use of the work that had already been done on stadium lighting.

Commissioner Anderson suggested that staff move a stadium lighting ordinance to 2017 and let citizens do the work they said they would do.

Commissioner Sykes expressed agreement with Commissioner Anderson but asked for a compilation of the feedback from participants in the process.

Commissioner Urban expressed agreement with Commissioner Anderson about staff taking a break from the stadium lighting ordinance. Commissioner Urban offered that lessons learned from this process could be applied to the noise ordinance process.

Vice Mayor Cooney expressed agreement with Commissioner Anderson and stated citizens should have a chance to do the work they said they would do.

City Attorney Robinson introduced and explained a proposed *Agreement Extending Tolling Agreement*, regarding the 2014 lawsuit over utility rates between the City of Kalamazoo and townships within Kalamazoo County. City Attorney Robinson asked for authority to execute the agreement.

In response to a question from Commissioner Anderson, City Attorney Robinson explained the Tolling Agreement was outside the purview of the courts, so it could be extended as many times as the parties agreed.

Commissioner Sykes, seconded by Commissioner Urban, moved to authorize the City Attorney to execute an *Agreement to Extend Tolling Agreement*.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

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

NAYS: None

Next, an opportunity was given for general citizen comments.

Robert Piellusch, City resident, requested that Donald Trump be banned from the City of Kalamazoo.

Chris Wahmhoff, City resident, spoke about how he was unaware of nuisance/trash bills being assessed on his property and stated he was now paying an extra \$300 per month into his escrow account to cover the fines and late fees.

April Washburn, City resident, stated she had bought 615 Elm Street a year ago to take advantage of the Kalamazoo Promise, and described issues she was having with neighboring properties.

Deb Killarney, City resident, thanked staff for making plans to address noise issues throughout the City.

Richard Stewart, City resident, thanked the new Commissioners for keeping citizen engagement in the forefront of their discussions and for not approving the staff recommendation on the stadium lighting ordinance. Mr. Stewart stated he was "astounded" that

City Manager's Report
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City Attorney's Report –
Approval of Extension
of Tolling Agreement

Citizen Comments

Citizen Comments
(cont'd)

the City Commission was considering a reduction in Solid Waste services rather than reducing costs. Mr. Stewart questioned why "Safe Community" was the Community Result with the lowest priority in Priority Based Budgeting (PBB). Mr. Stewart offered a critique of the PBB community engagement process.

Asha Khazad, City resident, stated more people needed to come to City Commission meetings, stay for the whole meeting, and make comments.

Kavan Geary, City resident, questioned why the sale of property at the intersection of Crosstown Parkway and Burdick Street had been held until the next meeting.

In response to Mr. Mayor Hopewell explained that the City Charter required two meetings for property transactions.

Commissioner
Comments

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

Commissioner Milcarek thanked citizens for attending and speaking.

Commissioner Urban stated there was a lot to learn from watching City Commission meetings.

Commissioner Sykes remarked that she had attended the PBB meetings in the community and stated there had been great turnout. Commissioner Sykes thanked City staff for the PBB community engagement process. Commissioner Sykes requested information on how the City notified residents and property owners about fines.

Vice Mayor Cooney asked for a report on Mr. Wahmhoff's situation. Vice Mayor Cooney reported 80% of the seats in the Commission Chambers were filled for the forum on prisoner re-entry, which focused on linking people with services and letting formerly incarcerated people tell their stories.

Mayor Hopewell explained how the Consent Agenda worked and how an item could be moved from the consent to the regular agenda. Mayor Hopewell noted the solid waste millage was not providing enough revenue for solid waste services. Mayor Hopewell offered remarks on the work of the City Manager's Office and the City Manager's budget. Mayor Hopewell stated the PBB Community results had not been prioritized or presented in a ranked order.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott A. Borling
City Clerk

For City Commission approval on February 1, 2016

Approved by: _____
Bobby J. Hopewell, Mayor
Dated: February 1, 2016

Roll Call

A business meeting of the Kalamazoo City Commission was held on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall, 241 W. South Street.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mayor Bobby Hopewell
Vice Mayor Don Cooney
David Anderson
Erin Knott
Matt Milcarek
Shannon Sykes
Jack Urban

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

None

Also present were City Manager Jim Ritsema, City Attorney Clyde Robinson, and City Clerk Scott Borling.

Invocation/Pledge

The invocation, given by Pastor Strick Strickland, Second Baptist Church, was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation of the Social Justice Youth Awards

Mayor Hopewell introduced the presenters of the 2016 Social Justice Youth Awards.

Judy Woolsey, Assistant to the CEO of Schupan and Sons, presented the Schupan and Sons Social Justice Youth Award to Jamie Hotrum.

John Pinkster, Director of South Operation for Life EMS, presented the Life EMS Social Justice Youth Award to Marena White.

Ron Foor, Community President of Fifth Third Bank, presented the Fifth Third Bank Social Justice Youth Award to Khalil Adams.

Dr. Lewis Walker of the Lewis Walker Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnic Relations presented the Dr. Lewis Walker Social Justice Youth Award to Lauren Thorpe.

A transcript of the remarks made by Mayor Hopewell and the presenters was filed with the papers for this meeting.

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 and authorize for the City Manager to sign on behalf of the City:

- approval of the appointment of City Commissioners to various committees, boards, and commissions.
- approval of the following appointments and reappointments to boards and commissions:
 - the appointment of **Glenda Campbell** to the Board of Review for Assessments for a term expiring on January 31, 2019.

- the appointment of **H. Charles Kiplinger** to the Board of Review for Assessments for a term expiring on January 31, 2019.
- the appointment of **Michael Anderson** to the Board of Review for Assessments for a term expiring on January 31, 2019.
- the appointment of **William Gladstone** to the Board of Review for Assessments for a term expiring on January 31, 2019.
- the reappointment of **Terry Nelson** to the Board of Review for Assessments for a term expiring on January 31, 2019.
- the reappointment of **Linda Servis** to the Board of Review for Assessments for a term expiring on January 31, 2019.
- the appointment of **Khalil Adams** to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for a term expiring on January 1, 2018.
- approval of the minutes from the City Commission meeting on January 4, 2016.

Commissioner Milcarek, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, 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 unanimously.

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

NAYS: None

Regular Agenda items were considered next.

An opportunity was given for citizens to comment on the adoption of the FY2016 Budget, but not comments were offered.

Vice Mayor Cooney, seconded by Commissioner Sykes, moved to adopt the budget resolution, component unit budgets, and fee schedules as follows:

- adoption of the Annual Appropriation **RESOLUTION** for the year 2016, which sets forth the number of mills to be levied, approves an interim appropriation for the year 2017, and establishes policies for the administration of the budget.
- approval of the FY2016 proposed budget for Metro Transit.
- approval of the proposed FY2016 Downtown Development Authority Operating Budget, the existing two-mill DDA Tax Levy, and the 2016 Capital Improvement Program.

Consent Agenda
(cont'd)

Regular Agenda

Adoption of the
FY2016 Budget

Resolution 16-02

Adoption of the FY2016 Budget (cont'd)	- approval of the FY2016 proposed budget for the Economic Development Corporation. - approval of the FY2016 proposed budget for the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. - approval of the FY2016 proposed budget for the Local Development Finance Authority. - approval of the schedule of fees to be charged by the Kalamazoo Municipal Golf Association in 2016.
Resolution 16-03	- adoption of a RESOLUTION approving the schedule of fees to be charged by the Community Planning & Development Department in 2016.
Resolution 16-04	- adoption of a RESOLUTION approving the schedule of fees to be charged by the Parks and Recreation Department in 2016.
Resolution 16-05	- adoption of a RESOLUTION approving the schedule of fees to be charged for special event applications, late fees, and service fees in 2016.
Resolution 16-06	- adoption of a RESOLUTION establishing the fees for obtaining a quadricycle operating permit in the City of Kalamazoo. Prior to a vote on the motion, Vice Mayor Cooney commended City Manager Ritsema and staff for their hard work on the budget. With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously. AYES: Commissioners Anderson, Knott, Milcarek, Sykes, Urban, Vice Mayor Cooney, Mayor Hopewell NAYS: None
City Manager's Report	City Manager Ritsema provided the following reports and updates: - Departmental Reports and Project Updates - <i>Inside the City</i> newsletter, January 2016 edition - December 2015 Purchases
Citizen Comments	Next, an opportunity was given for general citizen comments, but no comments were offered.
Commissioner Comments	Finally, an opportunity was given for miscellaneous comments and concerns of City Commissioners. Commissioner Milcarek stated he was looking forward to working with Commissioners and staff as the City moved forward. Commissioner Urban stated the City marching towards a financial cliff and noted the 2016 budget was balanced by spending down fund balance and using one-time fixes.

Commissioner Knott remarked on the water crisis in the City of Flint. Commissioner Knott stated the City needed new revenue sources and indicated the Commission would have difficult budget choices to make in the future.

Commissioner Sykes thanked City staff for their work and stated the reduction in solid waste services was a direct result of the need for new sources of revenue.

Commissioner Anderson reported the LIFT Foundation had been awarded low income tax credits from the state for the New Horizon Village housing development. Commissioner Anderson thanked staff and Commissioners for their support on this project remarked on the importance of the Eastside Revitalization Plan.

Vice Mayor Cooney congratulated Commissioner Anderson for his successful work with the LIFT Foundation. Vice Mayor Cooney offered remarks on the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Mayor Hopewell recognized and thanked City staff for their hard work. Mayor Hopewell stated that he and City Manager Ritsema, and Public Services Director Sue Founé were discussing ways the City could help the City of Flint during its water crisis.

Vice Mayor Cooney, seconded by Commissioner Urban, moved that the City Commission go into closed session to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

Prior to a vote on the motion, Mayor Hopewell indicated the Commission would not return to open session.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

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

NAYS: None

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott A. Borling
City Clerk

For City Commission approval on February 1, 2016

Approved by: _____
Bobby J. Hopewell, Mayor
Dated: February 1, 2016

Commissioner
Comments (cont'd)

Adjournment



Commission Agenda Report

City of Kalamazoo

TO: Mayor Hopewell, Vice Mayor Cooney, and City Commissioners

FROM: Scott A. Borling, City Clerk

DATE: 2/3/2016

SUBJECT: Documents Submitted by Citizens on February 1, 2016

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The attached documents were submitted by citizens at the Regular City Commission Business Meeting on Monday, February 1, 2016.

ATTACHMENTS:

Type	Description
□ Correspondence	Request for a Resolution Affirming the City of Kalamazoo is a Welcoming Community (submitted by Rev. J. Barrett Lee)

February 1, 2016

Dear Mayor Hopewell, Vice-Mayor Cooney, and City Commissioners of Kalamazoo:

The moral imperative to welcome refugees, migrant workers, and other strangers in need can be found throughout the pages of the Bible. In the book of Genesis, God called the patriarch Abraham, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you." Several generations later, severe famine forced Abraham's descendants to relocate to the land of Egypt. While they were initially welcomed into that country, Abraham's descendants were eventually labeled as a threat to national security by a racist government that subjected them to policies of forced labor and genocide.

In response to these crimes against humanity, God raised up Moses as a liberator, who led the people of Israel to a new life in a land of freedom. Along the way, God gave the Israelites a new command to ensure that the atrocities of Egypt would never be repeated by Abraham's descendants. God said, "You shall not oppress a resident alien; you know the heart of an alien, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt." (Exodus 23:9)

In the New Testament, Jesus Christ continues this ethical tradition in his teaching:

Jesus said, "I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

His followers asked, "Lord, when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you?"

Jesus replied, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." (Matthew 25:31-46)

Based on these and many other passages of sacred scripture, we the clergy of Kalamazoo believe it is our bounden Christian duty to open the doors of our community to offer hospitality and assistance to these our fellow human beings. They are now arriving on the shores this country, fleeing death by violence or starvation. They come to us from many directions, bringing with them a brilliant rainbow of many different languages, skin tones, cultural traditions, and religious beliefs. They come asking only that we acknowledge their inalienable right to exist.

Sadly, there are many voices at work in this country and in the state of Michigan who would use this humanitarian crisis as an opportunity to garner power for themselves. They use the same slanderous political tactics employed by Pharaoh in the book of Exodus. They manipulate the fears of the general populace with the specter of terrorism. Their xenophobia and lust for power has led them to blatant disregard for the lives of fellow human beings in need.

As Christians, we call upon the leadership of Kalamazoo to resist these lies, heeding instead the cry of the poor and the biblical command: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Leviticus 19:18; Mark 12:31)

Congregations stand ready to work together in sponsoring, welcoming, and assisting refugee families of all ethnic and religious backgrounds. We need the support of this city's leadership in order to fulfill our Christian calling and honor the inclusive values that make our city, state, and country so great. We strongly urge the City Commission of Kalamazoo to adopt the attached resolution.

Sincerely,

The Rev. J. Barrett Lee, Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Rev. Nathan Dannison, United Church of Christ

The Rev. Sarah Schmidt-Lee, Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Rev. Andrew Tengwall,

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

The Rev. Matt Weiler, United Methodist Church

Pastor Strick Strickland, Sr., Second Baptist Church

The Rev. Dr. Randall Warren, The Episcopal Church

The Rev. Mary VanAndel, Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Rev. Dr. Seth Weeldreyer, Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Rev. Elizabeth Candido, Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Rev. Sara Dorrien-Christians,

Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Rev. Dr. John Best, Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Rev. Ruth Moerdyk,

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

The Rev. Kurt Kremlick, Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Rev. Nelson Lumm, Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Rev. Kathleen Robertson King,

Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Rev. David Moffett-Moore, United Church of Christ

The Rev. Bob Bond, Metropolitan Community Church

The Rev. Lawrence Farris, Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Rev. David Nichols, American Baptist Churches

**RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THAT THE CITY OF KALAMAZOO
IS A WELCOMING COMMUNITY AND RESPECTS THE INNATE DIGNITY OF ALL
PEOPLE**

January 2016

WHEREAS, the City of Kalamazoo community remembers, honors, and values our immigrant and migrant roots, and embraces the values of family, faith, and hard work; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Kalamazoo has long been home to immigrants from around the world, who come seeking opportunity, stability, prosperity, and a better life for their families. The City of Kalamazoo is home to many immigrants who come from regions such as the Middle East, Latin America, Africa, Europe, and Asia. The city's diverse communities consist of first and second generation immigrants as well as African-Americans who have historically migrated from the southern United States; and,

WHEREAS, the Welcoming Kalamazoo initiative aims to build cooperation, respect, and compassion among all in our community, including immigrants and non-immigrants alike; endeavors to create an atmosphere in which international students, immigrants, and refugees have increased opportunities to integrate into the social fabric of their adopted hometowns; and seeks to embrace diversity while retaining unique cultural identities; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Kalamazoo community has long been recognized as a hospitable and welcoming place, where people, families, and institutions thrive and the contributions of all are celebrated and valued. Residents of the City of Kalamazoo live up to our highest American values of acceptance and equality, and treat newcomers with decency and respect, creating a vibrant community for all to live in; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Kalamazoo community is committed to building a diverse, inclusive, and global city and will continue to provide a neighborly and welcoming atmosphere, where all are respected and accepted. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the Kalamazoo City Commission on [DATE] that the City of Kalamazoo is affirmed as a place where all foreign-born and native-born Americans can live, work, and play together; share in each other's customs and ideals, and appreciate and promote cultural diversity.

We urge residents and stakeholders of the City of Kalamazoo community to join with the efforts and spirit of the Welcoming Michigan initiative and join in lifting up the City of Kalamazoo as a welcoming environment for all.

This Welcoming Resolution is put forth and supported by:

Members of the Welcoming Michigan Kalamazoo Leadership Committee

Eliminating Racism & Claiming/Celebrating Equality (ERACCE)

The mission of ERACCE is to dismantle systemic racism and build antiracist multicultural diversity within Southwest Michigan institutions by providing education, networking, technical assistance and supportive resources to the region.

FAIR FOOD MATTERS

The mission of Fair Food Matters is to improve access to healthy, local food by educating, connecting, and empowering the Kalamazoo community.

Hispanic American Council

The Hispanic American Council is a nonprofit community organization established to advocate for the well-being of the Hispanic population in Southwest Michigan.

Welcoming Michigan

Welcoming Michigan is a statewide initiative of the Michigan Immigrant Rights Center working to promote mutual respect and cooperation between foreign-born and U.S.-born Americans.

Fellow Community Partners