

	A business meeting of the Kalamazoo City Commission was held on Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall, 241 W. South Street.
Roll Call	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 Deputy City Manager Jeff Chamberlain, City Attorney Clyde Robinson, and City Clerk Scott Borling.
Invocation/Pledge	The invocation, given by Reverend John McNaughton, was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
Proclamation	Commissioner Anderson declared July 1-7, 2016 <i>Independents Week</i>. Faith Cervin, Executive Director of Buy Local of Greater Kalamazoo, and John Kuiper, President of Buy Local of Greater Kalamazoo, received the proclamation.
Adoption of the Agenda	By unanimous consent the City Commission adopted its meeting agenda as presented.
Public Hearing re: the Rezoning of 106 Thompson Street	At 7:07 p.m. Mayor Hopewell opened a public hearing to receive comments on an ordinance to rezone 106 Thompson Street from Zone RS-5 (Residential, Single-Dwelling District) to Zone IC (Institutional, Campus District). Greg Diament, Chief Information Officer for Kalamazoo College, spoke in support of the proposed ordinance. At 7:09 p.m. Mayor Hopewell closed the public hearing.
Ordinance 1941 Rezoning 106 Thompson Street	Commissioner Milcarek, seconded by Commissioner Urban, moved to adopt an ORDINANCE to rezone 106 Thompson Street from Zone RS-5 (Residential, Single-Dwelling District) to Zone IC (Institutional, Campus District). With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously. AYES: Commissioners Anderson, Knott, Milcarek, Sykes, Urban, Vice Mayor Cooney, Mayor Hopewell NAYS: None

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 an equity lease agreement with Enterprise FM Trust for the lease of six light duty fleet vehicles for a cost of \$102,459.60 for 60 months, including all maintenance.
- approval of the location of an Abraham Lincoln statue in Bronson Park.
- acceptance of a grant from the Kalamazoo Community Foundation in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the Bronson Park 21st Century Campaign.
- approval of an easement for Consumers Energy at the Edgemoor Storage Facility.
- approval of the minutes from the City Commission meetings on June 20, 2016.

Commissioner Sykes, seconded by Vice Mayor Cooney, 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

Next, an opportunity was given for general citizen comments.

Ann Walker, City resident, requested the City Commission schedule a discussion of the City's solid waste services.

Cameron Brown, Chair of the Kalamazoo Abraham Lincoln Statue Steering Committee, and former City Commissioner Bob Cinabro, thanked the City Commission for approving the location of a Lincoln statue in Bronson Park.

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

Commissioner Milcarek remarked that a neighboring community had recently gone to a single provider for trash disposal services with good success, and he asked that the Commission discuss this at its next meeting.

Commissioner Urban stated the work being done by staff to address the City's structural budget deficit needed to be presented in public to allow for open discussion. Commissioner Urban expressed desire for the Commission to have work sessions on this topic.

Consent Agenda

Citizen Comments

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Comments (cont'd)

Commissioner Sykes expressed support for a public discussion of the City's structural revenue challenges. Commissioner Sykes thanked Deputy Public Safety Chief Don Webster and the Public Safety Department for being willing to discuss issues with people and engaging the community.

Vice Mayor Cooney spoke about Momentum, an organization that provided job training for people who were difficult to employ.

Mayor Hopewell expressed birthday wishes to his mom and Commissioner Anderson's mom.

Closed Session

Commissioner Milcarek, seconded by Commissioner Urban, moved that the City Commission go into closed session to discuss pending litigation.

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

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

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

NAYS: None

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott A. Borling
City Clerk

For City Commission approval on July 18, 2016

Approved by: _____
Bobby J. Hopewell, Mayor
Dated: July 18, 2016

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