



OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF LANSING
JANUARY 4, 2016

City Council Chambers
Lansing, Michigan

The City Council of the City of Lansing met in regular session and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by City Clerk Chris Swope

PRESENT: Council Members Brown Clarke, Dunbar, Houghton, Hussain, Spitzley, Washington, Wood, Yorke

ABSENT: None

The Council observed a moment of Meditation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by City Clerk Chris Swope.

Judge Louise Alderson swore in Patricia Spitzley as At-Large Councilmember.

Judge Hugh Barrington Clarke, Jr. swore in Adam Hussain as 3rd Ward Councilmember.

RESOLUTION #2016-001

BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, a nomination for President and Vice President for the Lansing City Council in 2016 was made on January 4, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Washington made a motion to nominate Councilmember Brown Clarke as President; and

WHEREAS Councilmember Wood made a motion to nominate Councilmember Yorke as Vice President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council unanimously elects Councilmember Brown Clarke as President and Councilmember Yorke as Vice President for the Lansing City Council for the year 2016.

By Council Member Wood

Motion Carried

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS
AND THE CITY CLERK

Council Member Wood thanked her family members in attendance at the Council Meeting tonight and shared details about the Snow Sargents Program.

Council Member Yorke shared details about the Board of Water and Light Integrated Resource Planning Meeting and an update on the Public Art Trail Project.

Council Member Hussain thanked Deborah Strauss, Samara Morgan and fellow members of the Council.

Council President Brown Clarke thanked the Council for their support as Council President.

City Clerk Swope shared details about the upcoming Presidential Primary on March 8, 2016.

SPEAKER REGISTRATION FOR
PUBLIC COMMENT ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

City Clerk Swope announced that the public comment registration form(s) for those intending to address Council on legislative matters will be collected and that only those persons who have fully completed the form(s) will be permitted to speak.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, Randy Hannan, spoke about the MLK, Jr. Day Luncheon, State of the City, Mobile Food Pantry, Christmas Tree pickup and congratulated members of the City of Council who were elected or relected.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

- Public Comment on Legislative Matters:

No one spoke at Public Comment.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #2016-002

BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing that a public hearing be set for Monday, January 25, 2016, at 7 p.m. in City Council Chambers, Tenth Floor, Lansing City Hall, 124 West Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan, for the purpose of approving and/or opposing:

Act-15-2015, Parking Lot #24, located south of the 2000 block of Michigan Ave., Vacation of Alleys, Sale of approximately 0.83 acres.

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried

SPEAKER REGISTRATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
ON CITY GOVERNMENT RELATED MATTERS

City Clerk Swope announced that the public comment registration form(s) for those intending to address Council on City government matters will be collected and that only those persons who have fully completed the form(s) will be permitted to speak.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND
COMMISSIONS; COMMUNICATIONS AND
PETITIONS; AND OTHER CITY RELATED MATTERS

By Vice President Yorke that all items be considered as being read in full and that President Brown Clarke make the appropriate referrals

Motion Carried

• Reports from City Officers, Boards and Commissions:

- 1. Letter(s) from the City Clerk re:
 - a. City of Lansing Employees' Retirement System Actuarial Valuation for Funding and Contributions as of December 31, 2014

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND INTERNAL AUDITOR

- b. City of Lansing Police and Fire Retirement System Actuarial Valuation for Funding and Contributions as of December 31, 2014

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND INTERNAL AUDITOR

- c. Tri-County Regional Planning Commission Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2015

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND INTERNAL AUDITOR

- d. Minutes of Boards, Commissions, and Authorities placed on file in the Clerk's Office

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• Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:

- 1. Claim Appeal; Claim #1191, Jennifer Howland for trash fee, property located at 1701 S. Rundle Avenue

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- 2. Letter from Ingham County Drain Commissioner Patrick Lindemann regarding Groesbeck Park Drain Construction Project

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- 3. Affidavit of Disclosure; submitted by Eric Eichenberg, Lansing Police Officer

REFERRED TO THE ETHICS BOARD

- 4. Notice from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission regarding the Transfer of Ownership escrowed 2015 Class C license with Sunday Sales Permit (AM) and (PM) from Pro-Bowl, Inc. with license to remain in escrow to by REO Entertainment Group LLC., 2122 N. Martin Luther King Jr.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

REMARKS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Yorke thanked City Council for electing her Vice-President.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CITY GOVERNMENT RELATED MATTERS

Deb Parrish spoke about various City matters.

Michael Mercer spoke about various City matters.

ADJOURNED TIME 7:37 P.M.

CHRIS SWOPE, CITY CLERK