



**AGENDA**  
**Committee of the Whole**  
**Monday, January 7, 2019 @ 5:30 p.m.**  
**City Council Chambers, City Hall 10<sup>th</sup> Floor**

1. **Call to Order by City Clerk Swope**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Minutes**
  - December 10, 2018
4. **Public Comment on Agenda Items (Up to 3 Minutes)**
5. **Discussion/Action:**
  - A.) **RESOLUTION** – Election of 2019 City Council President and Vice President
6. **Other**
7. **Adjourn**

The City of Lansing's Mission is to ensure quality of life by:

- I. Promoting a vibrant, safe, healthy and inclusive community that provides opportunity for personal and economic growth for residents, businesses and visitors
- II. Securing short and long term financial stability through prudent management of city resources.
- III. Providing reliable, efficient and quality services that are responsive to the needs of residents and businesses.
- IV. Adopting sustainable practices that protect and enhance our cultural, natural and historical resources.
- V. Facilitating regional collaboration and connecting communities





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**CALL TO ORDER**

Council President Wood called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**PRESENT**

Councilmember Kathie Dunbar  
Councilmember Jeremy A. Garza  
Councilmember Adam Hussain  
Council Member Brian T. Jackson  
Councilmember Peter Spadafore  
Councilmember Patricia Spitzley  
Councilmember Jody Washington  
Councilmember Carol Wood

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Sherrie Boak, Council Staff  
Samantha Harkins, Mayors Executive Assistant  
Jim Smiertka, City Attorney  
Elaine Womboldt  
Kathy Miles  
Brent Forsberg  
Matt Donelan  
Loretta Stanaway

**Minutes**

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WASHINGTON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 26, 2018 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items**

Ms. Miles spoke in support of the ACT-8-2018 for the public art easement.

Ms. Womboldt provided support on behalf of Rejuvenating South Lansing for ACT-8-2018 for the easement for public art.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION**

Council President Wood stated to the Committee that all four (4) items on the agenda will be on the Council agenda for action later tonight.

**RESOLUTION - Elected Officers Compensation Commission (EOCC) 2019; First Meeting 2019**

Council President Wood reminded the Committee that the EOCC meets on odd years and the proposed date for the first meeting would be February 6, 2019 at noon.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WASHINGTON TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO SET THE FIRST MEETING OF THE EOCC IN 2019 FOR FEBRUARY 6, 2019 AT 12:00 P.M. MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

**RESOLUTION - ACT-8-2018; Public Art Easement between the City of Lansing and Southwest Action Group (SWAG)**

Council Member Hussain stated this is a part of an overall project at the intersection of Pleasant Groves and Holmes for a town square. This easement would allow the City to own and maintain the public art which will be funded by the Greater Lansing Art Council. It will also allow the City to maintain the property. Council Member Hussain then acknowledged members of the Southwest Action Group.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR ACT 8-2018; PUBLIC ART EASEMENT WITH SOUTHWEST ACTION GROUP. MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

**RESOLUTION - Amendment to the Resolution for Brownfield Plan #70 (735 Hazel)**

Council President Wood clarified the Committee that this is not an amendment to the Brownfield plan, but to the resolution regarding the DEQ loan accommodation. The language was changed in the resolution itself to state "in consideration of Developer's obligations in the Secure Loan Agreement". Council Member Spadafore asked why the change was necessary. Mr. Smiertka stated it was advised from the Attorney General office at the DEQ.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WASHINGTON TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION FOR BROWNFIELD PLAN #70 (735 Hazel Street). MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

**RESOLUTION – Outside Legal Counsel; Fahie Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC**

Mr. Smiertka explained that there is a big project with the Montgomery Drain coming up in the future that include special assessments and this firm has the talent to discuss the options and decisions that the City will go through. He noted they work with many municipalities on drain topics. Council President Wood asked if this was the same firm the Ingham County Drain Commission was using, and Mr. Smiertka confirmed it was not and would not be a conflict. Council Member Jackson asked if, since the City of Lansing could be one of their biggest clients, if there was consideration placed on the rates. Mr. Smiertka assured the Committee that the rates were negotiated, and they were very cautious on those rates.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WASHINGTON TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE ADDITION OF FAHIE, SCHULTX, BURZYCH, RHONDES PLC TO THE CITY COUNCIL OUTSIDE COUNSEL LIST. MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

**OTHER**

Council President Wood referenced back to the November 26, 2018 Committee meeting where a question was asked of the Administration on when the closing was for Waverly Park Golf Course sale. She reminded the Committee that at that time there was not definite date given, however since that time she wanted them to know that Ms. Bennett has provided the information that the sale had occurred on September 19, 2018 and the amount of

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\$2,131,395.00 is in a segregated account, outside of the General Fund, and that is why it was not shown in the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter General Fund report. Council Member Spitzley asked what the “segregated fund” was, and noted it was supposed to go to Parks and Recreation. Ms. Harkins stated to the Committee that the funds will be represented in the FY2019-2020 Parks and Recreation budget.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,  
Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary  
Lansing City Council  
Approved by the Committee on

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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 2019 was made on January 7, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ made a motion to nominate Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ as President; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ made a motion to nominate Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ as Vice President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council elects Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ as President and Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ as Vice President for the Lansing City Council year of 2019.