



**MINUTES**  
**Committee of the Whole**  
**Monday, January 4, 2021 @ 5:30 p.m.**

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Held virtually in an effort to protect the health and safety of the public & to mitigate the spread of COVID 19

**CALL TO ORDER**

City Clerk Swope called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Mr. Swope spoke briefly about the process of the annual leadership meeting, and election of Council President and Vice President.

**PRESENT- via audio/video**

Councilmember Peter Spadafore remotely from Lansing, Michigan  
Councilmember Adam Hussain remotely from Lansing, Michigan  
Councilmember Carol Wood remotely from Lansing, Michigan  
Councilmember Patricia Spitzley remotely from Lansing, Michigan- arrived at 5:38 p.m.  
Councilmember Kathie Dunbar remotely from Lansing, Michigan  
Councilmember Brandon Betz remotely from Lansing, Michigan  
Councilmember Jeremy Garza remotely from Lansing, Michigan  
Councilmember Brian T. Jackson remotely from Lansing, Michigan

**MEMBERS PRESENT- via audio/video**

Sherrie Boak, Council Staff  
Jim Smiertka, City Attorney  
Lisa Hagen, OCA

**Minutes**

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 14, 2020 AS PRESENTED. ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

**Public Comment**

No public comment at this time.

**Discussion/Action**

RESOLUTION – Election of 2021 City Council President and Vice President

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO NOMINATE COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE AS THE 2021 COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN AS THE 2021 COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT.

Council Member Spadafore accepted the nomination.

Council Member Hussain accepted the nomination.

Council Member Jackson spoke briefly on his support of the nomination, noting his support of the experience they represented in 2020 during the pandemic. He then asked the nominees to speak on why they are interested.

Council Member Wood first spoke on her support of the nomination with their role of leadership during the 2020 pandemic, and how they addressed unexpected issues the arose and had to be dealt with in a timely manner.

Council Member Betz spoke of the nomination and noted in his opinion they both have shown they can do business as usual during a pandemic.

Council Member Spitzley spoke in support of the nomination and how the nominees handled the City business during 2020 and the pandemic.

Council Member Spadafore first acknowledged Council Member Wood for her nomination, and voice of support. He acknowledged all Council Members for their faith and confidence in the leadership in 2020 and look for continued progress.

Council Member Hussain spoke in appreciation of the Council Members spoken support and acknowledged Council Member Spadafore for the efforts he made in ensuring the business of the City was addressed. He accepted his nomination for Vice President and appreciated the member's confidence in him for this leadership role.

Council Member Garza spoke in support of the nominations and they work they did in 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

**Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm

Respectfully Submitted by,

Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on January 11, 2021