

December 4, 2023

Regular City Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, was held on December 4, 2023 in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

Prior to the Regular Council Meeting: City Council members discussed: The Agenda.

Moved by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Councilmember Howard to go into Closed session @ 6:41pm to discuss pending litigation.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Scott	Yea
Councilmember Rutledge	Yea	Councilmember Bishop	Yea
Councilmember Richardson	Yea		
Councilmember Chisholm	Yea		

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Byron Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:18pm

Pledge of Allegiance

City Council and the public in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Prayer

Prayer was led by Pastor Juan Bradford

Roll Call

Mayor Nolen	Present (Inkster, MI.)
Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm	Present (Inkster, MI.)
Councilwoman Rutledge	Present (Inkster, MI.)
Councilman Bishop, II	Present (Inkster, MI.)
Councilwoman Scott	Present (Inkster, MI.)
Councilman Howard	Present (Inkster, MI.)
Councilman Richardson	Present (Inkster, MI.)

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Councilmember Richardson to approve the agenda.
Resolution 12-23-001FR - Motion carried.

Presentations/Discussion

1. Presentation by DPS – Status of Recent and Future DPS Projects.
2. Gajewski Homes – Tax incentive opportunities for the Annapolis Pointe Development.

Public Hearings

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the November 20, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.
- B. Approval of the Schenk & Bruetsch October 2023 Invoice in the amount of \$19,940.77.

**Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Richardson
Resolution 12-23-002FR - Motion carried.**

Boards and Commission

- A. Update of current list of appointments to Boards & Commissions.

**Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Rutledge
to appoint Tim Williams to the Commission on Aging.
Resolution 12-23-003FR- Motion carried.**

**Moved by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm
to appoint Mack Willis to the Planning Commission.
Resolution 12-23-004FR - Motion carried.**

**Moved by Councilmember Scott, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm
to appoint Ashley Williams to the Planning Commission.
Resolution 12-23-005FR - Motion carried.**

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm, Seconded by Councilmember Rutledge
to appoint Tonia Williams to the Planning Commission.
Resolution 12-23-006FR - Motion carried.**

**Moved by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Councilmember Howard
to appoint Steven Chisholm to the Planning Commission.
Resolution 12-23-007FR - Motion carried.**

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm, Seconded by Councilmember Rutledge
to appoint Norma McDaniel to the Planning Commission.
Resolution 12-23-008FR - Motion carried.**

**Moved by Councilmember Scott, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm
to appoint Daryl Davis to the Planning Commission.
Resolution 12-23-009FR - Motion carried.**

**Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Chisholm
to appoint Juan Bradford to the Election Commission.
Resolution 12-23-010FR - Motion carried.**

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

- A. First Reading(s)
- B. Second Reading(s)

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Councilmember Rutledge – District I) Consider authorizing the administration to implement a Newly Elected City Council Onboarding Process.

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm, Seconded by Bishop, II
to approve authorizing the administration to implement a Newly Elected City
Council Onboarding Process**

Resolution 12-23-011FR – Motion carried

- B. Discussion/Action: (Treasurer) Consider approving the attached deficit elimination plan to be filed with the State of Michigan detailing financial projections through the fiscal year 2025 for the General Fund, MIDC and Brownfield redevelopment Funds.

**Moved by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm
to approve the attached deficit elimination plan to be filed with the State of
Michigan detailing financial projections through the fiscal year 2025 for the
General Fund, MIDC and Brownfield redevelopment Funds.**

Resolution 12-23-012FR – Motion carried.

- C. Discussion/Action: (Treasurer) Consider approving the attached budget amendments for the General Fund specifically Building Maintenance and Equipment accounts with respect to DPS Projects.

**Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm
to approve the attached budget amendments for the General Fund specifically
Building Maintenance and Equipment accounts with respect to DPS Projects.**

Resolution 12-23-013FR – Motion carried.

- D. Discussion/Action: (DPS) Consideration authorizing administration to continue the temporary easement agreement between Consumers Energy Company, a Michigan Corporation, and the City of Inkster effective January 1, 2021, and shall run through December 31, 2026. The City of Inkster grants to Consumers the option to extend this agreement for two (2) additional one-year periods, which the extended period shall commence upon the expiration of the primary period or any exercised period, as the case may be by giving the City of Inkster written notice prior to the end of the current term, of which the contract will come back before City Council for approval. The amount yearly is \$98,000.00.

**Moved by Councilmember Scott, Seconded by Councilmember Richardson
to approve authorizing administration to continue the temporary easement
agreement between Consumers Energy Company, a Michigan Corporation, and
the City of Inkster effective January 1, 2021, and shall run through December
31, 2026. The City of Inkster grants to Consumers the option to extend this
agreement for two (2) additional one-year periods, which the extended period
shall commence upon the expiration of the primary period or any exercised
period, as the case may be by giving the City of Inkster written notice prior to
the end of the current term, of which the contract will come back before City
Council for approval. The amount yearly is \$98,000.00.**

Resolution 12-23-014FR – Motion carried.

- E. Discussion/Action: (City Clerk) Consider approving the 2024 City Council meeting calendar dates as specified in the Inkster City Charter, Section 7.1 to be the first and third Mondays of each month, in the council chambers located at 26215 Trowbridge, Inkster, Michigan are hereby established in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.261, et, Seq, whereas these meetings are conducted and open to the public.

Moved by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Councilmember Scott to approve the 2024 City Council meeting calendar dates as specified in the Inkster City Charter, Section 7.1 to be the first and third Mondays of each month, in the council chambers located at 26215 Trowbridge, Inkster, Michigan are hereby established in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.261, et, Seq, whereas these meetings are conducted and open to the public.

Resolution 12-23-015FR – Motion carried.

- F. Discussion/Action: (Economic Development Director) Consider approval of an offer to purchase One (1) Vacant Parcel (Case #LD 23-17) located on the North Side of Hazelwood Between Middlebelt Rd and Central, which is legally described as 24J163 164A LOT 163 AND THE 20 FT OF LOT 164 GRAND VIEW GARDENS SUB T2S R9E L45 P94 WCR (Parcel ID #44005010163000) or Hazelwood Street in the amount of \$1,500.00 to Maria Sanjuana Delgadillo Ramirez and Juan Richardo Alonso Delgadillo.

Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Bishop to approve of an offer to purchase One (1) Vacant Parcel (Case #LD 23-17) located on the North Side of Hazelwood Between Middlebelt Rd and Central, which is legally described as 24J163 164A LOT 163 AND THE 20 FT OF LOT 164 GRAND VIEW GARDENS SUB T2S R9E L45 P94 WCR (Parcel ID #44005010163000) or Hazelwood Street in the amount of \$1,500.00 to Maria Sanjuana Delgadillo Ramirez and Juan Richardo Alonso Delgadillo.

Resolution 12-23-016FR – Motion carried.

- G. Discussion/Action: (Economic Development Director) Consider approval to purchase one (1) vacant parcel (Case #LD 23-16) The parcel located on the North Side of Penn Street between Bayhan Street and Meadowdale Street Parcel ID: 4402303017003 for \$1,500.00

Moved by Councilmember Howard Seconded by Councilmember Scott to approve to purchase one (1) vacant parcel (Case #LD 23-16) The parcel located on the North Side of Penn Street between Bayhan Street and Meadowdale Street Parcel ID: 4402303017003 for \$1,500.00

Resolution 12-23-017FR – Motion carried.

- H. Discussion/Action: (Economic Development Director) Consider approval to purchase three (3) vacant parcels (Case #LD 2-15) The parcel is located on Harriet Street on the West Side of the street between Carlyle Street and Beech Street Parcel ID: 44009020800000, 44009002080100, 44009020802000 for \$4000.00

Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Scott

to approve to purchase three (3) vacant parcels (Case #LD 2-15) The parcel is located on Harriet Street on the West Side of the street between Carlisle Street and Beech Street Parcel ID: 44009020800000, 44009002080100, 44009020802000 for \$4000.00
Resolution 12-23-018FR – Motion carried.

- I. Discussion/Action: (City Council) To vote in accordance with the vote that was taken in closed session (Chapman).

Moved by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Councilmember Scott to vote in accordance with the vote that was taken in closed session. (Chapman)
Resolution 12-23-019FR – Motion carried.

Public Participation

- **Melvin Gatewood** – Interested in God’s Work Our Hands purchasing the property located at 2407 John Daly.
- **Alyssa Anderson** – Announced the new system that Department of Public Works has called Code Red. She asked residents to sign up for Code Red if they have not already.
- **Barbara Cooper & Gabe Henderson** – Announced the Inkster Goodfellows No Child Without a Christmas paper drive. She stated that volunteers are still needed to sell papers.

City Clerk

- Announcement of a Recount of District Two (2) to be held on Thursday December 7, 2024 at 9:00am in City Council Chambers.

City Treasurer

- Announced drawdowns, reimbursements and grants.

Mayor and Council

- **Councilmember Howard** – Thanked DPS for their presentations. She also inquired about the school on Annapolis being town down. She stated it is an eye sore and dangerous. She further asked residents not to sweep their leaves into the street. She said the leaves clog the drains.
- **Councilmember Richardson** – Asked residents to support the Inkster Goodfellows in the effort with no Child Without a Christmas. She asked residents to donate and/or donate their time by volunteering.
- **Councilman Rutledge** – Asked residents to Shop Inkster. She stated we have some good businesses within the city that need support.
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm** – Stated that he volunteered for the Inkster Goodfellows and passed out newspapers on Saturday. He encouraged residents to give of their time if they could not donate. He announced there would be Christmas Carols taking place at City Hall on December 13th at 6-7pm.
- **Mayor Nolen** – Announced that he attended the funeral for former Councilmember Ronald Johnson. He further announced the passing of Booker Snow, a former Inkster Police Officer. He stated that there are open positions at the City of Inkster website for, Assistant City Clerk, HR Director, Parks and Recreation and City Planner. He announced that City Hall would be closed December 22, 2023 at noon and re-open on January 2, 2024 at 8:30am. He also stated that there would be a Town Hall to be held on January 4, 2023.

Closed Session

**Moved by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Councilmember Bishop
to go into closed session for a personnel matter @ 8:22pm**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Bishop	Yea	Councilmember Howard	Yea
Councilmember Richardson	Yea	Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm	Yea
Councilmember Rutledge	Yea		
Councilmember Scott	Yea		
Returned from Closed Session at 8:50pm			

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion duly made.

By Howard, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm and carried, to conclude
the Regular City Council meeting of Monday, December 4, 2023, at 9:01pm

