

June 16, 2025

**Regular City Council Meeting – 7:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, was held on July 16, 2025 in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

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

Closed session-open: moved by Councilman Bishop and seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge  
@6:35 pm

Closed Session-closed: moved by Councilman Bishop and Second by Councilwoman Scott@6:53pm

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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| <b>Councilmember Howard</b>   | <b>Yea</b> | <b>Councilmember Scott</b>     | <b>Yea</b> |
| <b>Councilmember Rutledge</b> | <b>Yea</b> | <b>Councilmember Bishop</b>    | <b>Yea</b> |
| <b>Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm</b> | <b>Yea</b> | <b>Councilwoman Richardson</b> | <b>Yea</b> |

**Call Meeting to Order**

Mayor Byron Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:03pm

**Prayer**

Prayer was led by Michael Kelly

**Pledge of Allegiance**

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

**Roll Call**

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| 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)  |
| Councilwoman Howard     | Present (Inkster, MI)  |
| Councilwoman Richardson | Present (Inkster, MI)  |

**Approval of Agenda**

**Moved by Councilwoman Howard, Seconded by Councilwoman Scott to  
approve agenda for June 16, 2025 meeting  
Resolution #06-25-95GH-6-0 Motion Carried**

**Presentations/Discussion**

- **Portia Powell, President & CEO of One Detroit Credit Union**
- **Paul Jones, CEO of ProsperUs Detroit**

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**Public Hearings**

**Consent Agenda**

**Approval of Regular City Council Meeting Minute June 2, 2025**

**Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge, Seconded by Councilwoman Scott  
Resolution #06-25-96GH – 6-0 Motion carried.**

**Boards and Commission**

**None**

**Previous Business**

**Ordinance(s)**

**A. First Reading(s) (Jerome Bivins, DPS Director) Public Gearing First Reading-Amend the City of Inkster Code of Ordinance, Section 52.00, 52.01, 52.10, and 52.11**

**Second Reading(s)**

**A. (Derek Dowdell, (Community Development Director) Public Hearing-Second Reading TA- 25-01 Consider amendment to Title XV. Chapter 155 (J) of the City's Code of Ordinance as it relates to reducing the maximum amount of retail marijuana locations from eight (8) to four (4)**

**B. (Derek Dowdell, (Community Development Director) Second Reading- Consider Planning Commission recommendation to approve the rezoning 60 parcels, from the M-1 Light Industrial District to the R-1B One Family Residential District. Dunning Area; Rezone 49 Parcels, from the M-1 Light industrial District to the RM Restricted Multiple Dwelling-Low Rise District. Cherry-Harrison-Area, and Rezone 5 parcels, from the R-1B One Family Residential District to the PUD Planned Unit Development District. Henry Ruff-Parkwood Area.**

**New Business**

**A. Discussion/Action: (Derek Dowdell, Community Development Director) Public Hearing-Second Reading TA-25-01 Consider amendment to Title XV. Chapter 154 (J) of the City's Code of Ordinance as it relates to refusing the maximum amount of retail marijuana locations from eight (8) to four (4) Immediate effect.**

**Moved by Councilman Bishop Seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge  
6-0 motion carried resolution #06-25-97GH**

**B. Discussion/Action: (Derek Dowdell, Community Development Director) Second Reading-Consider Planning Commission recommendation to approve the rezoning of 60 parcels, from the M-1 Light Industrial District to the R-1B One Family Residential District. Dunning Area;**

Rezone 49 parcels, from the M-1 Light Industrial District to the RM Restricted Multiple Dwelling-Low Rise District. Cherry-Harrison Area, and Rezone 5 parcels, from the R-1B One Family Residential District to the PUD Planned Unit Development District. Henry Ruff-Parkwood Area.

Moved by Councilwoman Howard Seconded by Councilwoman Scott

6-0 motion carried **-06-25-98GH**

C. Discussion/Action: (Georgina Holliday, City Clerk) Consider approval of Roosevelt Robichaud All Class Reunion Picnic. Date: August 30, 2025 Time: 10:00am-7:00pm Place: Tyrone Wheatley Park

Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilman Bishop

6-0 motion carried **#06-25-99GH**

D. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins, DPS Director) Consider adoption of the included resolution for installation of a new water main in property owned by Wayne County that will provide redundancy in the water distribution system.

Moved by councilwoman Howard Seconded by Councilman Bishop

6-0 motion carried **#06-25-100GH**

E. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins, DPS Director) Consider authorization for the Development of Public Service to install speed bumps at their previous locations throughout the city and replace those that were damaged for approximately \$40,000

F. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins, DPS Director) Consider authorization for the Department of Public Service to enter into an agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to secure funding for the 2025 Sidewalk Project and adopt the included resolution.

Moved by Councilwoman Howard Seconded by Councilwoman Scott

6-0 motion carried **#06-25-102GH**

G. Discussion/Action: (Georgina Holliday, City Clerk) Consider approval of Capital Improvement Plan for State Certification Redevelopment ready cities.

Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman Scott

6-0 motion carried **#06-25-103GH**

#### **Public Participation**

-  Dr. Louise Edje-Library Project-Calendar, activities, friends. The Trustee of Leanna Hicks Library develops a 2026 Calendar. Your story may be added to calendar Jan 14<sup>th</sup> 1-3 July 12<sup>th</sup> 1-3 need friends of library; paint and listen July 26<sup>th</sup> 3-4:45p August 23<sup>rd</sup>; provide canvas/paint/audible; July 12<sup>th</sup> Mini Golf history has flyers, library card.
-  Donnie Harris-Dog-Nuisance Law-one neighbor terrorizing whole block various days 6/6,6/12. The Chief informed him: District 1 you need to call me, no parking signs/ball playing in street across from Woodson
-  Cameron Lee Fitz EL-notice of foreclosure and eviction, problem in Inkster squatting in house 3845 Henry took locks off doors and camera.
-  Michael Kelly/Ed Miller-Funkateers Update AGT Thursday @8p 6/17 need support Ch. 4 Peacock one episode when & replay watch party at Gethsemane
-  Maureen Moynihan-Relining sewer line no code reds, water issue on Amherst causing structure issue

- ✚ **Dr. Shatina M. Jones-Community Business Expo on Sunday 1-4p @Booker Dozier need community help put all together Party-Pearls Gem Party 8/23/25 more flyers to come.**
- ✚ **April K. Garrett-Weslyn A. Bennett Foundation-Thank You All that approved the Juneteenth Parade, various activities and events, Famous Daves Meals.**
- ✚ **Barbara Cooper-Inkster Goodfellows Thank you for supporting the Fish Fry and the donations DPS 17 to 18 dinners Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast.**
- ✚ **Tangela Ward- Gift for the Mayor, Juneteenth Thursday at 11**
- ✚ **Gabe Henderson-Inkster Clean Up; June 28<sup>th</sup> Beautification Wheatley Park, Booker Dozier LeMoyne Park, city looking much better, Love Yall.**
- ✚ **Pastor Jean Overman-Summer Discovery Mothers Pantry open 2 days now 10-3 wed & thurs 18 spots left amazing participation in Inkster.**
- ✚ **Lt. Lebo- speak on upcoming events National Night Out-IPD August 5<sup>th</sup>, ride with Livingston/Monroe highlight traffic enforcement, June 12<sup>th</sup> Coffee w/cop July one FB page keep a eye out. Movie Night Mini Station on Middlebelt July 7/7-8/15 Summer Camp Booker Dozier**

#### Clerk

Welcome my new Deputy Clerk Vachal Moore started June 4, 2025

#### City Treasurer

Special Council Meeting Tuesday 6/24/25 @5p at City Hall

#### Mayor and Council

- **Councilmember Rutledge – Thanked Verniece Skeen for the wonderful job she did in the flower bed at city hall. Rodeo was the bomb; fish fry the Mayor had was very nice**
- **Councilmember Scott – no comment**
- **Councilmember Bishop -no comment**
- **Councilmember Howard- no comment**
- **Councilmember Richardson -Thanked citizens and some colleagues for their prayers and kindness some one thought she had a C-Section**
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm – Friends of Rouge Park did a Paddle down to Colonial first time canoeing**
- **Mayor Nolen-Can't speak voice gone-Seed to Feed Picnic June 22<sup>nd</sup> 3p-8p in Inkster Park**

#### Adjournment

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

By Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman Scott and carried, to conclude the Regular City Council meeting of Monday, June 16, 2025 @ 8:04pm